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PRICE TWO CENTS

SOCIETY BENEFIT OPERA TOMORROW PROFITS CHARITY

Reasons why Efforts of Two
Score of Society Girls
and Boys Deserve
Patronage

THE PLAY A SPARKLING ONE

Fine Opportunity to Swell
the Anti-Tuberculosis
Fund for Local Use,
Says Dr. Evans

Why should you attend "Up and Down Broadway" tomorrow night?
Listen:
Because there is a lot of enthusiastic La Crosse young men and women who have worked hard and faithfully and are giving their time and talent as their contribution to this fund for the betterment of humanity—lads and lassies who deserve the encouragement of your presence and appreciation. And you will be contributing to an important charity, as well as to your own amusement.
Because the cause has the support of the La Crosse County Medical society, the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis association, every civic and social organization and every man, woman and child in the country.
Because you will see a show worth twice as much as your contribution to this worthy charity.
Because those who will take part in the play are La Crosse people.
Because you will be helping to down a disease which, if let run, may some day threaten your own loved ones.
Because it may furnish a start towards a \$20,000 tuberculosis sanitarium for this city.
Because the show is a sparkling, joyous, splendid entertainment which will make you feel better for having gone.

Friday night furnishes an opportunity to La Crosse people to do more for the eradication of consumption than anything heretofore suggested, is the opinion of Dr. Edward Evans, one of the directors of the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis association and perhaps the leading spirit in this part of the state in the war on the white plague.

"The production of this sparkling musical success for the benefit of the war on tuberculosis," said Dr. Evans, "is, in my opinion, one of the best plans adopted since the inauguration of the stamp campaign. The play deserves the patronage of every man, woman and child in this city and county who has the betterment of humanity at heart and too much praise cannot be given the young men and women who have so generously donated their time and effort towards making the play a success."

"It is no more than proper that the men and women of La Crosse turn out in appreciation of their work in this campaign and a packed house tomorrow night will not only swell the Anti-Tuberculosis fund but it will show appreciation to the young people for their efforts."

Dr. Evans then outlined several reasons why the benefits of this play are of greater importance directly to La Crosse than money invested in Red Cross stamps.

"What is secured through 'Up and Down Broadway,'" he said, "is used here in La Crosse in fighting the disease while the money spent for stamps is sent to headquarters and then divided."

"The Twentieth Century club has suggested the erection of a \$20,000 tuberculosis sanitarium for La Crosse and the money realized from (Continued on Page 6)

SAY TAFT AND BOB ARE AT WAR WHICH IS THE BITTER END

President will Not Make a
Single Appointment Fav-
ored by Senator La
Follette

EVIDENCES ARE COMING OUT

Holding Up of McElroy and
Schultz and Horicon Post-
office Case Tells a
Plain Story

If a Milwaukee informant of the Chicago Tribune is not in error, President William Howard Taft will not make a single appointment in this state recommended by Senator M. La Follette. While the Milwaukee dispatch may have been inspired by persons who imagined it would injure Senator La Follette, there is enough tangible fact upon which to base belief in it to justify a strong suspicion that it is at least in part true. The item is as follows:

Fighting Bob
"All doubt as to President Taft's hostility to Senator La Follette is ended. There will be no more friendly or ostensibly friendly relations between them. It will be open war without any direct declaration of war."

"President Taft will not appoint W. J. McElroy, whom the senator long ago recommended for the federal attorneyship at Milwaukee, nor will he appoint G. E. Schulz for collector of customs at Milwaukee, nor will he recognize La Follette in any other appointment or in any other way."

"All of La Follette's federal patronage will go to Senator Stephenson and State Chairman Edmonds, a Stephenson man."

"The action of the administration is taken here as being evidence of the resentment felt at the White house over the personal strictures upon the president by La Follette in his magazine."

What "Ike" Said
The following, received in The Tribune's Washington correspondent today, may throw some light upon what it indicates to be at least a willingness to give ear to the Stephenson crowd.

"It is said that Senator Isaac Stephenson, who is known to be responsible for the holding up of the appointment of W. J. McElroy as United States attorney for the eastern district of Wisconsin, La Follette's nominee for that position, has redoubled his efforts to have McElroy turned down and a Stephenson adherent appointed."

"Won't La Follette kick?" the president is said to have asked.

"La Follette would kick if he was being hung," is said to have been Stephenson's reply."

Another Straw Blown
Perhaps still more significant is the fact that the president last week turned down La Follette's nominee for postmaster at Horicon, Dodge county, and appointed an out and out stalwart friendly to the Stephenson interests. Horicon is in La Follette's preserves, as it is located in the district of Congressman Weise, democrat, and therefore the appointment falls to the senator.

All these things indicate that perhaps the agreement by which La Follette is to have the appointments in the eastern district and Stephenson in the western has been broken, and that with the aid of Taft Stephenson is making good his threat to control the entire patronage of the state.

JOHANNA WEISS DIED EARLY TODAY

Mrs. Johanna Weiss, an old resident of the city, died at 4:20 this morning after a short illness with bronchitis, at her home, 915 South Second street. She had lived here more than 40 years, coming directly from Germany, where she was born, with her husband, who has now been dead 21 years. She was 65 years of age on December 2.

She is survived by three sons and two daughters: Paul, Thief River Falls, Minn.; Ferdinand, La Crosse, and Charles, Tomah, and Mrs. Ida Mitschell and Mrs. Johanna Stintzi, La Crosse. A brother, Julius Lawrence, and a sister, Mrs. Henrietta Boy of this city, also survive.

Funeral arrangements are being delayed pending word from out of town relatives, but the services will probably be held on Sunday afternoon. Fessler & Dahl are in charge of the arrangements.

EXHUME VICTIMS

MALESTER, Okla., Dec. 16.—The bodies of three convicts killed in the cave-in of a sewer on which they were working, were dug out today by fellow prisoners.

THE CENTRAL FIGURES IN THE GREATEST POETIC WAR IN HISTORY



At top, William Watson, author of "The Woman With the Serpent's Tongue," and his bride; below at the left the British premier, Herbert Asquith, whose wife and stepdaughter were "insulted" by Watson and at the right, Rudyard Kipling, Watson's only rival, the author of "The Vampire."

Does Watson, author of "The Woman With the Serpent's Tongue," who "insulted" the wife of the British premier, Herbert Asquith, and her stepdaughter, Violet, do womanhood a greater wrong than Rudyard Kipling, author of "The Vampire."

This is the question friends of Poet Watson are asking when the question as to whether he shall be

entertained in the west arises. Watson's announced intention to come to Chicago created a furore among Chicago society women. That any man could accept the pink tea hospitality of the Asquiths, hear sacred confidences and make capital out of his betrayal of a national secret is construed by his enemies as the grossest insult ever perpetrated by a man of distinction. His friends point to the verses of Kipling's "Vampire" and say Watson's offense is no greater to the sex than that of the famous bard. Watson is planning a trip through the middle west and his verses and his explanation is destined to create the poetic sensation of the age.

CLOTHING FOR POOR, NOW SEND FOOD AND MONEY

We want staple foods!
We want shoes!
We want money!
—Berry.

"We are receiving the largest and best line of clothing that ever came to us," said Humane Officer Charles H. Berry to The Tribune today.

Mr. Berry added that this was not all, that toys and money are also coming in.

"What do you need most now," Mr. Berry was asked.

"We need food—the staples—flour, ham, bacon, sugar. We need a lot of it. In that particular we are

away behind last year's record. Tell the people to send these things, for there is dire need in many homes in the city, and the poor can't live on sympathy and anthems. We want to help these people, to make them understand that the world is good, that there is happiness and hope in store. We want to save their physical bodies as a stepping stone to making them good and valuable citizens. They are for the most part good people in hard luck. If some of you people would go about town for a day with me, you would see what an opportunity for doing things exists."

"Just say to the people to send us staple foods, to send us children's shoes, and to send us money."

1118 EVASIONS IS WOMAN'S RECORD

Mrs. Brokaw in Divorce
Suit Sets Pace for "Duck-
ing" Worthy of John
D. Rockefeller

MINEOLA, L. I., Dec. 16.—When the trial of Mrs. Mary Blair Brokaw's separation suit against her husband, Wm. Gould Brokaw, was resumed today, Mrs. Brokaw resumed the stand to tell how she spent the \$30,000 her husband allowed her the first year.

McIntyre, prior to the trial beginning, made public a statement, analyzing Mrs. Brokaw's cross-examination, in which he catalogued her answers during her two days on the stand as follows:

I don't remember—293 times.
I can't tell—118 times.
I could not tell you—137 times.
I don't believe—81 times.
I don't know—184 times.
I think so—125 times.
I believe so—198 times.
I thought so—63 times.
I won't answer—49 times.
"On one occasion I asked her sixty-nine questions before I got a responsive answer," said McIntyre.

ALLEN CALLS THEM "SNEAK THIEVES"

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MADISON, Wis., Dec. 16.—
Philip Allen the exaltado, rather than man of calm and pious, even judicial spirit, was revealed on witness stand bankruptcy court this morning when the banker accused the federal officials of stealing his papers at jail "like sneak thieves," in a loud voice, unlike any one before used by a convicted embezzler.
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AT THE DEATH-BED OF HER INTENDED

Miss Asquith of Watson's
Poem of 'The Serpent's
Tongue' Loses Fiance
by Death

LONDON, Dec. 16.—Hon. Archibald Gordon, son of the Earl of Aberdeen, whose engagement to Miss Violet Asquith, whom poet Wm. Watson accused of having "The Serpent's Tongue" was to have been announced, died today from injuries received in an auto accident on Nov. 28.

Miss Asquith has been in almost constant attendance upon her fiance since the accident and was with him when he died.

LOCAL OPTION SUSTAINED
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 16.—The Indiana supreme court today declared the county option law constitutional. Two judges rendered a dissenting opinion.

THE WEATHER

Coldest at La Crosse, 0; warmest, 20; wind, 6 miles; snow, trace.
Forecasts today:
For Wisconsin: Snow tonight; Friday partly cloudy and colder.

For Minnesota: Snow tonight with colder west portion; Friday partly cloudy.

For Iowa: Snow tonight with colder west and central portions; Friday partly cloudy and colder.

\$3,200 SUBSCRIBED TODAY BY THIRTEEN BUSINESS MEN TO THE INDUSTRIAL FUND

CONGRESS HEARS A DENUNCIATION OF BALLINGER

Hitchcock Scores the Secretary of Interior Roundly as Fraudulently Disposing of Public Domain

MR. GLAVIS IS PRAISED

A Million Dollars Voted to Prevent Frauds Used for Costly Furniture and Grab Salaries

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—A sensational arraignment of Secretary of the Interior Ballinger, a drastic denunciation of his conduct of affairs of that department and appeal for a thorough investigation of the general land office, was a dramatic part of the proceedings of the house of representatives today.

Representative Hitchcock (D. Neb.) hurled denunciation after denunciation at the secretary of the interior and exhausted his invectives in describing the Guggenheims and their alleged attempts to control the Alaska mineral fields.

Hitchcock Eulogizes Glavis
That the land office was "manipulated to assist land thieves in their depredations on the valuable coal lands in Alaska," was one of Hitchcock's charges. He eulogized L. R. Glavis, the former field agent of the land office, who brought charges against Ballinger and who was discharged upon President Taft's exonerated of his cabinet officer, as a faithful employee.

"I pity," he said, "the helpless subordinate who is forced to choose between holding his position in silence and endangering it by open protest against frauds entrenched in power backed by influence."

Glavis' discharge, he said, came as a result of his zeal in protecting the government against frauds. The recent controversy, the Nebraska representative insisted, had possibly revealed an amazing condition of lawlessness and favoritism in the land office. He scored Commissioner Fred Dennett for his administration of affairs in that branch of the department.

Secret Papers Given
The climax came when Hitchcock declared that confidential letters and copies of secret papers were freely given to fraudulent claimants of Alaskan coal lands.

He condemned severely the committee on rules for its failure to take definite action on the resolutions already introduced to investigate the interior department affairs.

Millions of Acres Grabbed
"It is notorious," Hitchcock said, "that for seven years gross frauds have been perpetrated on the public domain and that millions of acres of public lands have been fraudulently grabbed by corporations. That year we appropriated \$1,000,000 to prevent frauds. Rumor has it that a considerable portion of this money has already been spent to buy elegant furniture. Eighty clerks have been added to the payroll and one or more subordinates are now receiving more money than the law allows their superior officers."

Ballinger Openly Violates Law
Ballinger, according to Hitchcock, "openly and brazenly violated the law," in appearing as attorney for the claimants in the Cunningham cases shortly after he resigned as commissioner of the general land office.

"What business has the commissioner," he demanded, referring to Ballinger's occupancy of that place, "to inform claimants to keep quiet until they know what evidence the government had?"

"The record shows that whether the land office was presided over by Ballinger with Dennett as his assistant or later by Dennett as commissioner with Ballinger outside as attorney for the claimants or later still, with Ballinger returned to power as secretary of the interior, it manipulated to assist land thieves."

Guggenheim's Free to Everything
"The Guggenheim's appear to have had free access to everything," he continued. "Now, the question is, can this house get the same free access for an investigation? The time has come for an investigation but I suppose that if the speaker of this house does not want an investigation and 90 per cent of the members do want one, we can't get it."

MICHIGAN MINERS CANNOT BE SAVED

NEGAUNEE, Mich., Dec. 16.—There is no hope for the saving of the lives of the four miners who were buried Tuesday by falling ground in the Negaunee mine. Water from old working has flooded the drifts and it may be two weeks before the rescue party can get to the place where the men were buried.

THE ROLL OF HONOR

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Fras & Dumpe.
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Dr. J. A. L. Bradfield.
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McConnell & Schwalzer.
Prafflin & Manke.
S. Martindale.
William B. Tscharnier.
S. L. Meister.
E. R. Burke.
Gateway City Lumber Co.
A. Goldstein, Pres. Parks Cloak Co.

SUBSCRIBERS OF \$200.

Adam E. Forschler.
D. J. Cameron.
Fred Dittman.
G. M. Woodward.
Leonard Frey.
Julius Burkhardt.
F. A. Reimann.
New Majestic Theater Co.
F. W. Woolworth & Co.
Manager W. R. Casey, Wisconsin Music Co.

Fred Leithhold.
Hawley Com. Co.
A. Candrian.
Robt. Braun.
La Crosse Posting Service.
Pamperin & Wiggenhorn Cigar Co.
Egid Hackner.
F. L. Pierce.

E. G. Staats Regalia Co.
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John Kindley.
La Crosse Scrap Iron Co.
Wisconsin Pearl Button Co.
J. L. Pettigill.
Star Knitting Co.
M. & C. Newburg.

O. T. Erhart.
La Crosse Hat and Haberdashery.
C. W. Noble Co.
John Neukomm.
John E. Willing.
Nels Thompson.

SUBSCRIBERS OF \$100.

F. H. Schofield.
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A. Engaas.
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W. F. Strauss.
W. J. Smale.
W. G. Moss.
Gustave Pappas.

SUB-COMMITTEES NAMED BY WING

Chairman of Industrial Soliciting Committee
Names List of
Helpers

ALL ANXIOUS TO SERVE CITY

Secretary Utermoehl Says
Each Is Enthusiastic to
Help Big Enterprise
Along

Stock	subscribed today,
\$3,200.	
Total subscribed to date	\$80,000.
Balance to be subscribed	\$20,000.
List of citizens who today subscribed a total of \$3,200 of the Industrial stock:	

T. T. Bergh, \$500.
Thill - Manning - Whalen Co., \$500.

Gateway City Lumber Co., \$300.

A. Goldstein, Pres. Parks

Cloak Co., \$300.

M. and C. Newburg, \$200.

O. T. Erhart, \$200.

La Crosse Hat and Haberdashery, \$200.

C. W. Noble Co., \$200.

John Neukomm, \$200.

John E. Willing, \$200.

Nels Thompson, \$200.

W. G. Moss, \$100.

Gustave Pappas, \$100.

Chairman E. M. Wing of the new civic industrial corporation soliciting committee this morning announced the appointment of the following sub-committees, members of which will go among the residents under their jurisdiction and personally solicit their subscription of stock in the corporation:

Manufacturers and Jobbers—J. W. Bryant, Gysbert Van Steenwyk and H. J. Hirschelmer.

Retail Merchants—Fred Heil and Peter Newburg.

Grocers and Butchers—Harry Taggart, Robert Fritz, L. B. Raymond and J. S. Haugen.

Druggists, Physicians and Dentists—John Kindley, Edward Evans and Eugene A. Gatterdam.

North Side—C. P. Thompson, L. E. LaVaque and Dr. T. H. Miller.

Attorneys and Offices—C. H. Schweizer and Andrew Lees.

Hotels—Frank Kohn and C. A. Hunt.

Painters, Builders and Architects—B. Dockendorf, O. J. Oyen.

Court House—Charles H. Rawlinson.

City Hall—W. J. Fries.

All Enthusiastic

Secretary J. L. Utermoehl of the board of trade this morning called all but a few of the committee men by telephone and he declares all are enthusiastic and "You Bet I'll Serve" was the usual reply indicative of the spirit which seems to have seized the citizens generally since the successful attempt to organize the new corporation.

SWINDLERS SENTENCED

PARIS, Dec. 16.—"Count" Gubatti and wife, whose maiden name was Sylvia Thompson, daughter of a rich New Yorker, were today sentenced in the correctional court to two years in prison and fined \$200 each for swindling Paris merchants of large amounts of jewelry.

WILL YOU

Fill a Stocking for a BOY or GIRL who will Have No Christmas Stocking Unless You Do?

- 1—Fill a stocking and bring it to The Tribune office.
- 2—Bring an empty stocking to The Tribune office for others to fill.
- 3—Bring goodies and toys to The Tribune office to fill the stockings others have brought.

The Tribune will see to it that every stocking filled makes some child glad on Christmas Eve.

Join the Good Cheer Club!
DO IT NOW!

BUY STAMP BOOKS FOR XMAS FAVORS

Just to mail customers with your receipted bills.

Just to send to friends with a word of Christmas cheer.

Just to help out in the great humane effort of the century.

The stamp books run in the following sizes: 10 cents, 25 cents and \$1.00.

They are on sale at—
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E. J. EVANS.
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QUAKE ROMANCE TO CULMINATE

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Dec. 16.—Wm. A. Campbell, a young attorney of Fort Wayne, has left for San Francisco, where Tuesday a college romance with the San Francisco earthquake as a stage setting will culminate in his marriage to Miss Gertrude Albrecht of that city.

Both were students at the Leland Stanford university at the time of the earthquake, and Campbell was slightly injured in escaping from the partly demolished dormitory. After having his wounds dressed, he secured his sweetheart and started toward San Francisco in an automobile. The machine broke down before the city was reached and both were forced to walk the remaining distance.

When they arrived they found her home demolished.

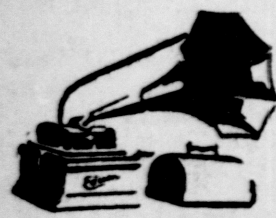
Campbell graduated from Stanford in 1907 and from Harvard law school in 1908. Miss Albrecht is a daughter of Mrs. Lillian Albrecht.

CHILDREN SAVED.

NIAGARA FALLS, Dec. 16.—Fire totally destroyed Cleveland Avenue public school here, where several hundred children were at their studies. They were marched out in excellent order without anyone of them being injured. Chas. Foltz, the janitor, was severely burned in his efforts to save the little ones.

Be true; then you may expect others to be true to you.

Thomas A. Edison Victor Herbert Merry Christmas



That's the combination that will bring joy into your home if there are any little ones there (and even if there are not), because Mr. Edison has made the Phonograph that will play the Amberol Records, and Victor Herbert has made music for it which you simply can't resist, and besides Victor Herbert there are hundreds of other good music makers, grave and gay, all waiting to introduce the real Christmas feeling into your home.

Whatever you have for Christmas, be sure that somebody gives somebody an Edison Phonograph. Then there will be at least one present which will be wildly and rapturously welcomed.

Edison Phonographs can be had from \$12.50 to \$125.00.
Edison Standard Records - 35
Edison Amberol Records (play twice as long) - 50
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There are Edison dealers everywhere. Go to the nearest and hear the Edison Phonograph play both Edison Standard and Amberol Records and get complete catalogs from your dealer or from us.

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DOERFLINGER'S

SPORTS

FIVE GAMES AT BODEGA ANNEX

Yesterday Quiet Among the Local Billiardists; Ruprecht Is Defeated by Darling

Yesterday was an unusually quiet day among the local cue artists who are participating in the handicap tournament at the Bodega Annex, but five games being pulled off. Many of the players are finishing their string of games while some of them have played but four or five out of the entire number to be played. When this tourney is finished another will be put on at this academy and the handicaps will be better arranged than at present. Some of the contestants are playing above their capacity and some have handicaps which are entirely too large for their competitors. It is the intention of the management to remedy this in the next tournament. The players will be divided into two classes, A and B, all playing 100 or above being in class A. Following are the results yesterday:

	Hdcp.	Made.
Forbes	125	119
Geo. Rose	65	65
Ruprecht	50	48
Darling	80	80
Jehlen	35	35
Anderson	165	150
Freas	70	70
Geo. Rose	65	52
Geo. Rose	65	50
Sieger	75	75

PACKKEY UNABLE TO MAKE 133 RINGSIDE

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Ad Wolgast, Milwaukee's star lightweight, is still wasting time telling Pacific coast sport writers what he can do to Packkey McFarland, for the Chicago man is not going to pay any further attention to him unless he sticks to the terms he knows that Packkey will consent to. Ad recently stated that he would bet \$1,000 he could stop Packkey in ten rounds if the latter would agree to make 133 pounds at the ringside.

"What's the use of making reply to such talk as that?" said Packkey. "Everybody knows I cannot do the weight and fight, for I have said it a hundred times, and then some. 'Just because he has fired out this at me let me make myself plain once more. I will make 133 pounds at 3 o'clock in the afternoon for any of them. Battling Nelson preferred. If Wolgast wants this, all well and good. If he doesn't, why, just let it go at that. If he will let me come in at that weight I'll bet him all he can raise and beg, borrow and steal."

PAUL SIKORA A COMING FIGHTER

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 16.—Local fight fans who braved the ice to see Paul Sikora, the Detroit lightweight, and Tommy Dougherty of Philadelphia, exchange punches at the Windsor A. C., declare today that the prospective trip of Sikora to the Pacific coast is destined to bring him tangible results in the fist line. If he shows up as well against the western sluggers as he did in his eight round draw with Dougherty last night much better things are in store for him. Dougherty is a clever boy and had a decision on points been rendered he probably would have taken it by a narrow margin.

DE ROUEN AND GOTCH TO MEET XMAS DAY

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 16.—Frank Gotch, undefeated wrestling champion, has agreed to throw Raoul de Rouen, champion of France, within fifteen minutes, when they hook up here Christmas day, or forfeit \$500.

Dr. B. F. Roller has offered to do the same with Con O'Kelly or forfeit \$250.

The two matches are acts in the boxing and wrestling show to be staged in the St. Louis Coliseum, which winds up with a vaudeville sketch by Jim Jeffries and Sam Berger. Jeffries will show in all his training stunts and will top off the performance with a short sparring match with his training partner.

CHICAGO WILL NOT PLAY WOLVERINES

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Coach Stag will not attempt to break away from the colleges of the "Big Eight" football conference and schedule games with eastern schools excepting Cornell. Neither will Michigan get a game with the Maroons, even should the Wolverines return to the conference. This became known today when Stag made it clear that he would devote six of his seven games to conference colleges, reserving the seventh for Cornell if that eleven wishes another game. If it does not Stag will schedule a game with another western institution.

Stagg believes the University of Chicago should stick to the western colleges and encourage inter-conference games instead of scheduling many games in the east.

AFTER JEFFRIES THEN KAUFFMAN

"Lil Artha" Is Willing to Meet California Pug if He Beats Jeff in the Big Scrap

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 16.—Al Kaufman, the California heavyweight, is the first man in line to meet Jack Johnson if the big colored champion wins his bout against James J. Jeffries. George Little, manager for Jack Johnson, stated that he will give the California heavyweight a match against the big colored champion providing the latter wins the coming bout.

In speaking of his coming bout with Jeffries, Johnson said: "I am going into the ring determined to win in the quickest time possible. The articles signed by Jeffries and myself, as I suppose you know, call for forty-five rounds or more. That is certainly a long distance—too long when you have facing you a man capable of slipping over one that would knock you cold. Consequently I intend to get home my best as early as possible."

MCGRAW TO SELL "BUGS" RAYMOND

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—One of the interesting rumors circulating among the baseball traders attendant at the major league meetings here concerns the prospective fate of the irrepressible Bugs Raymond, the famous New York Giants' pitcher, who is now in disgrace. It is reported that Manager McGraw is seeking a deal to transfer Raymond to some other major league, and if he fails in that he will seek waivers on the eccentric one at once. No big league manager here shows a disposition to take over this burden of trouble, and the outlook now is that Bugs will be shipped to some minor league before next season begins.

Some time ago it was reported that John J. McCloskey, the Milwaukee manager, would be willing to purchase Raymond, but Mac will not discuss the deal just now. McCloskey formerly had Raymond in charge and got better results out of the pitcher than any manager who ever had the big fellow.

After exposure, and when you feel a cold coming on, take Foley's Honey and Tar, the great throat and lung remedy. It stops the cough, relieves the congestion, and expels the cold from your system. Is mildly laxative. Refuse substitutes. O. T. Erhart.

GERMANIA DEFEATS BOHEMIAN SCHOOL

In a game of basketball last night the third Germania team defeated the first Bohemian Catholic school team at the latter's hall.

In the second half when the score was 10 to 8 in favor of the Bohemians, time was called by the Bohemian timekeeper, after only ten minutes of the 15 minute half was played. Referee Al Arenz, noticing that the time seemed short, pulled out his watch and found that the second half lacked five minutes of the full time. Thereupon he proceeded to give the Bohemians a lecture and placed the time in competent hands.

Upon resuming the game the Germanias played a fast game and made three more baskets, leaving a final score of 14 to 10 in their favor.

A large crowd attended.

Line up:
Bohemians—C. Statek, right forward; C. Beranek, left forward; J. Spika, center; A. Bruha, right guard; E. Tikal, left guard.
Germanias—Otto Meinert, right forward; J. Cysmaniak, left forward; J. Weiss, center; J. Lund, right guard; Phil Schwanzle, left guard.

GOVERNOR PROBES STRIKE SITUATION

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 16.—Gov. A. O. Eberhart sent emissaries to scour the Minneapolis and St. Paul railroad yards and report to him as to conditions. The governor had already called on general manager Gruber of the Great Northern and Vice-President Slade of the Northern Pacific. He informed them of the sentiment on the part of the switchmen as brought to his attention by Frank T. Hawley, favors arbitration. Both railroad officials said there was nothing to arbitrate. As the switchmen are understood to stand upon the proposition made for them by President Hawley that they are open for a compromise, the gov-

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BURLINGTON MAN MAY HEAD B. & O.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—It was reported in Wall Street that President Oscar G. Murray of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, will resign next week to be succeeded by Daniel Willard, vice-president of the Chicago,

MORGAN BUYS A TELEPHONE CONCERN

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 16.—Clarence Brown, attorney for the United States Long Distance Telephone Company and for the Cuyahoga Telephone Company, makes the following announcement:

"I am authorized by J. S. Bradley Jr., to announce that J. P. Morgan and Co. have purchased for his own account a majority of the stock of the long distance and Cuyahoga telephone companies.

"Further than this no statement can be made at present."

Brown said he would not discuss the announcement.

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Burlington and Quincy. Willard was formerly associated with President Underwood of the Erie and his election is declared to be due to the Underwood influence.

Be joyous; there is but one life to live and to miss having had any gratification out of it is calamity, indeed.

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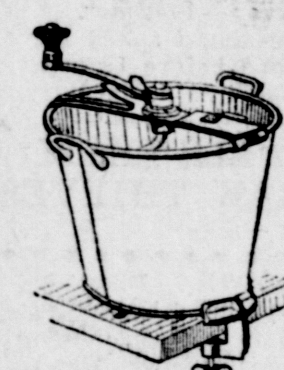
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November Daily Average	7,744
1—Mon	7,720
2—Tues	7,718
3—Wed	7,718
4—Thur	7,721
5—Fri	7,722
6—Sat	7,722
7—Sunday	
8—Mon	7,723
9—Tues	7,722
10—Wed	7,728
11—Thur	7,726
12—Fri	7,732
13—Sat	7,741
14—Sunday	
15—Mon	7,747
16—Tues	7,754
17—Wed	7,754
18—Thur	7,757
19—Fri	7,756
20—Sat	7,753
21—Sunday	
22—Mon	7,756
23—Tues	7,759
24—Wed	7,786
25—Thur	7,776
26—Fri	7,765
27—Sat	7,767
28—Sunday	
29—Mon	7,762
30—Tues	7,776
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1. Frank H. Burgess, business manager of the La Crosse Tribune, do solemnly swear that the actual number of copies of the paper named, printed and circulated during the month of November, 1909, was as above stated.

Frank H. Burgess
Subscribed and sworn to before me this thirtieth day of November, 1909.

A. E. BLECKMAN,
Notary Public.

THE BISHOP'S MITE

It was an inspiring moment at the Six O'clock dinner Tuesday evening when Rt. Rev. Bishop James Schwebach arose from his seat of honor beside President John Dengler and announced that he would subscribe \$1,000 to the stock of the industrial corporation. His Reverence had been invited to attend for the inspiration his presence would lend to the occasion, and it had not been anticipated that he would devote to the enterprise money calls for the use of which from parishioners and humanity in general have never failed to reach his ear.

But this kindly churchman, no less a loyal citizen, could not sit inactive while things were doing for the city of his home, and there was a magnificence in the humility with which he proffered his contribution which transported his auditors. It is probable that no single thing contributed so powerfully to the consummation of the plan that was that evening's duty as did the simple, sensible words of this man than whom none is better loved in this community.

MONEY TALKS

While the committee and sub-committees of the board of trade are busy soliciting subscriptions to the stock of the industrial corporation, business men should not forget two things that were ably impressed upon those present at the Six O'clock dinner Tuesday.

No man who heard George W. Burton's exposition of the soundness of the plan can doubt its substantiality. The vigorous presentation of the strength of an organization backed by the experience and judgment of nine of the most successful business men in Wisconsin, coming from a financier whose business for years it has been to scrutinize industries as to their safety and men as to their business capacity, is conclusive of that point.

No man who heard William Doering's review of local history leading up to a presentation of argu-

ments carrying conviction of the prime necessity of community endeavor in La Crosse at this time, can be doubtful of the imperative demand that there now be concerted action on behalf of this city in which every business man and property holder shall participate.

Given these two things—absolute necessity for action and a sound and profitable method of action—what citizen can find legitimate excuse for failing to subscribe to this stock? Get out your fountain pen and write your name in the Roll of Honor that will appear in The Tribune until the balance of the stock is subscribed and the company that means great things for La Crosse is duly organized under the corporation laws of the state of Wisconsin.

Are you loyal to La Crosse? Answer with your check book. Here is where money talks.

NORTH SIDE ADVERTISING

North La Crosse is the railroad men's section, its population being made up of these well paid people who live well and are ready to pay for good living, together with the employees of manufactories of the kind whose employees are valuable patrons of the stores.

To north side merchants, and all merchants desirous of reaching this excellent patronage, we invite attention to relative north side newspaper circulation as shown by a house to house canvass. Here is the record: Tribune1,001
Leader-Press290
Chronicle117
The Tribune has nearly four times as many readers on the north side as has the Leader-Press, and nine times as many as the Chronicle. Your advertising never gets to the money spenders of the north side unless it is published in The Tribune.

STATESMANSHIP?

"The other day," says the Milwaukee Journal, "the Washington dispatches recited that Speaker Cannon and his clique were chuckling over the plight of the insurgents. The speaker having deprived the insurgents of committee assignments that would entitle them to the use of a committee room, it was stated, they have no place to meet and discuss their legislative program."

"Now comes the report that Secretary MacVeagh, by his temerity in mentioning the possibility of future tariff reductions, has aroused the ire of the senate conspirators in restraint of a square deal and that they propose to 'get revenge' by withholding confirmation to the appointment of one of his assistants and otherwise seek to harass and embarrass him in the performance of his official duties."

"What sort of men, may we ask, are in control of the people's affairs at Washington that they thus assume to treat government as a private snap and personal possession? Have they no sense of obligation to the public that they thus vent their petty spite to the public injury?"

"When public officials forget that public office is a public trust it is time that they should be retired to private life or placed to breaking stone for the public instead of enacting laws or administering them."

"A public official who uses his position to wreck his personal animosities and sacrifices the interests of the public in pursuit of his hatreds is as one with the grafter who serves his friends and associates that have crossed his palm or ingratiated themselves into his favor and forgets that he is a servant of the people or openly betrays their interests."

In attempting to evade discussion of the expose of his circulation department, Mr. Gelatt made the fatal mistake of admitting his lack of subscribers and confessing the impossibility of his letting advertisers know how little he has. The one issue before the advertisers, which he cannot escape, is the fact that The Tribune has, and proves it, two and one-half times as many subscribers in the city as its nearest competitor and six times as much as its remaining competitor, and that its total circulation of 7,744 is more than 2,000 in excess of the combined total circulations of all its English daily competitors. This cannot be dodged, and bare denial will not suffice in the face of the fact that we make a standing offer to pay the entire expense of a canvass to establish or disprove our figures.

Manager McWillie, of the Pearl button works, made some pertinent observations about the need of small, good houses for working people when he arose to offer his subscription to the stock of the industrial company. His remarks suggest a good opportunity for investment, and he who takes time by the forelock will reap the reward of profitable rentals.

Be just; you never can tell how soon the fellow to whom you were unjust will have the screws on you.

THE QUICKEST AND SIMPLEST COUGH CURE

Better than all the cough medicines you could buy, and far less expensive, is a simple remedy that you can make at home in five minutes. A whole pint of it—enough to last a family a long time—costs only 53 cents. It is pleasant to take—children like it.

It will usually conquer a deep-seated cough in twenty-four hours. Two or three doses overcome an ordinary cough. It is also splendid for colds, bronchitis, incipient lung trouble, whooping cough, etc.

Granulated Sugar Syrup 1 1/2 oz.
Pinex2 1/2 oz.
Take a pint of Granulated Sugar, add 1/2 pint of warm water and stir about 2 minutes. Put the 2 1/2 ounces Pinex in a pint bottle and fill up with the syrup. Take a teaspoonful every one, two or three hours.

Granulated Sugar Syrup is a simple but excellent sedative. Pinex is the most valuable concentrated compound of Norway White Pine Extract, and is high in all the medicinal elements of the pine. None of the weaker preparations compare with the real Pinex itself. All druggists have it or will get it if requested.

Strained honey can be used instead of the syrup, and makes a very fine honey and pine tar syrup.

SPOTLIGHTS

"A GENUINE PLAY"

"No play this season has commanded an interest so eager and so genuine." Thus wrote the well known critic of the Chicago Journal, O. L. Hall, in his review of "These Are My People," which has just rounded out the first fortnight of a record breaking engagement at the Studebaker. Mr. Hall went on to say that not since "The Man From Home" had he observed an audience "hang on" a play as it did on opening night at the Studebaker. Mr. Hall is paid a high salary by the Chicago Journal for his opinions of plays, and it is reasonable to suppose that his ideas carry considerable weight.

MEANS WAR TO END IN STRIKE

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 16.—"We are going ahead now on this policy. The campaign will be aggressive and without cessation until every employee of the corporation is in our folds. Then we will be in a position to force a recognition of the unions."

This statement by President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor might be taken as the labor view of the resolution declaring war on the United States Steel corporation, adopted here by the conference of labor leaders.

That the corporation regards the resolution in another light was indicated by a statement of a local official who promptly stamped it as "one big jumble of words."

Aside from the denunciation of the steel corporation and the determination to appeal to congress, the president and the governors of states, labor men point to the fact that the resolution is an appeal for closer organization and financial assistance for men now striking against the corporation. If the combined forces of the federation can be brought to bear against the corporation, the unionizing of its employees is assured, they believe.

Steel officials look upon their system of making employees stockholders in the corporation as a safeguard against any attack the federation may make against them.

It is announced today that the committee appointed to lay before President Taft and the members of congress the grievances against the Steel corporation, would probably go to Washington January 5 or 6. The members of this committee are: J. O'Connell, Geo. W. Perkins, P. J. McCardo, T. L. Lewis, C. E. Lawyer, J. D. Pierce and J. W. Hayes.

SCHOOL TAX IS APPORTIONED NOW

State Superintendent C. P. Carey has apportioned the school fund income which had accrued up to and including Dec. 1, as required by the provisions of section 554, Wisconsin statutes, as follows: The total amount apportioned is \$1,806,780.82.

The rate of apportionment for each person of school age residing in the state June 30, 1909, is \$2.321.

La Crosse county's portion of the school tax is \$33,420.09.

This fund arises from the interest on school funds loaned and from the regular school fund income tax of 7-10 of a mill, less \$200,000, on the assessed valuation of the state.

IRVINE CHRISTMAS LEADERS

Mesh Bags—A special line of silver bags, size 5 x 7 inches, \$5.00.
Others at \$5.50, \$6 and \$7.

These bags are the finest made, genuine German silver frames, kid lined, with pocket.

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Leather Bags in genuine seal, large sizes \$7.00 to \$14.00

Quips and Cranks and Wanton Wiles

Poor Mary
Once Mary had a dainty hand
With tapering tips of pearl—
She was the queen of Maidenland,
A wondrous type of girl;
And yet with all her lovely traits
The thing that made me glad
Was the lovely pair of velvet hands
That queenly Mary had.

Alas! Her hands are on the blink!
She hasn't got them now!
I cannot dream, I cannot think
Of Mary's hands, somehow
For Mary's making Irish lace
For Christmas gifts; she sits
All day crocheting—now and then
To change her gait, she knits.

And every time the needle stabs
The lace, her tongue sticks out
And Mary feels and prods and jabs
And works her face about;
And every other stab she makes
Lands on her dainty skin—
Then Mary's out a stitch she dropped,
But the needle point is in.

And so she's stabbed and speared and stuck
Until she is a sight—
She's playing in most awful luck—
Hers is a painful plight!
I know her Irish lace will be
The best in seven lands,
But what is Irish lace, compared
With Dainty Mary's hands?
—H. E. Warner, St. Paul Dispatch.

Bulls and Bulls

T. P. O'Connell, the witty Irish parliamentarian, discussed at a dinner in New York the bull.

"The bull," said he, "isn't confined to Ireland. It was an Englishman, you know—English judge—who, being told by a tramp that he was unmarried, replied: 'Well, that's a good thing for your wife.'"

"And it was a French soldier who, sleeping in his tent with a stone jar for a pillow, replied on being asked if the jar wasn't hard: 'Oh, no; I've stuffed it, you see, with hay.'"

"And it was an American politician in New York who cried the other night from the tailboard of a dray: 'If we remain silent the people will not hear our heartrending cries!'"
—Washington Star.

So it Wouldn't

Little Ruth found that the horse had stepped on and broken the leg of one of her little chickens. Looking up at the horse she said reproachfully: "O, Bess, how could you be so careless! Why, this little chicken wouldn't step on you and hurt you like that for anything."—The Delinquent.

Not Fit to Judge

Andrew Carnegie, in the smoke room of the Baltic, talked about Scotch whisky.

"It is a pure but powerful spirit," he said smiling. "In Peebles the other day they told me a good story about it."

"It seems that a Peebles lawyer and his clerk had been to a wedding of the real old-fashioned sort. On the way home the lawyer said, as they were crossing the famous Peebles iron bridge:

"Noo, Saunders, mon, I'll juist gang on ahead a meenit, an' ye'll tell me if I'm walkin' strauch'."

"So the lawyer walked ahead, and then called back:

"Straucht's a die," Saunders answered; but—hicc—what's that will ye."—Washington Star.

Gentle Dismissal

Judge Walter Evans of the United States district court ought to be in the diplomatic service, his friends

SOCIALLY CHARMING, TOO

A Well-Developed Figure, Exquisite Bust Proportion, Well Rounded Arms and Neck, Make Homely Women Attractive—Cut This Out.

There was recently published the formula of a famous beauty doctor who became wealthy in the profession of figure culture. Many of our famous actresses and society ladies, it is claimed, owe to her science the charming and exquisite proportion of figure which they enjoy.

So rapid and thorough is the treatment that one can almost "see the flesh grow." One young matron had to prove her identity to her husband after a month's absence, during which time she had used the home treatment. An increase of six inches is not unusual after a month's treatment.

Go to any druggist and get separately two ounces of glycerine, three ounces of rosewater, one ounce tincture cadomene compound (not cardamom) and five cents' worth of borax. Mix the glycerine and tincture cadomene, shake and let stand two hours. Then add rosewater and a teaspoonful of borax. Apply morning and night, rubbing until absorbed; then wash with hot water and soap; dry thoroughly. Continue a few weeks and beautiful development rewards the effort.

54-40 Fight
By Emerson Hough
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CHAPTER I. The Makers of Maps.

(There is scarcely a single cause in which a woman is not engaged in some way fomenting the suit.—Juvenal.)

"Then you offer me no hope, Doctor?"
The gray mane of Doctor Samuel Ward waved like a fighting crest as he made answer:

"Not the sort of hope you ask." A moment later he added: "John, I am ashamed of you."

The cynical smile of the man I called my chief still remained upon his lips, the same drawn look of suffering still remained upon his gaunt features; but in his blue eye I saw a glint which proved that the answer of his old friend had struck out some unused spark of vitality from the deep, cold flint of his heart.

"I never knew you for a coward, Calhoun," went on Doctor Ward; "nor any of your family. I give you now the benefit of my personal acquaintance with this generation of the Calhouns. I ask something more of you than faint-heartedness."

The keen eyes turned upon him again with the old flame of flint which a generation had known—a generation, for the most part, of enemies. On my chief's face I saw appear again the fighting flush, proof of his hard-fibered nature, ever ready to rejoin with challenge when challenge came.

"Did not Saul fall upon his own sword," asked John Calhoun. "Have not devoted leaders from the start of the world till now sometimes rid the scene of the responsible figures in lost fights, the men on whom blame rested for failures?"

"Cowards!" rejoined Doctor Ward. "Cowards, every one of them! Were there not other swords upon which they might have fallen—those of their families?"

"It is not my own hand—my own sword, Sam," said Calhoun. "Not that. You know as well as I that I am already marked and doomed, even as I sit at my table tonight. A walk of a wet night here in Washington—a turn along the Heights out there when the winter wind is keen—yes, Sam, I see my grave before me, close enough; but how can I rest easy in that grave? Man, we have not yet dreamed how great a country this may be. We must have Texas. We must have also Oregon. We must have—"

"Free?" The old doctor shrugged his shoulders and smiled at the arch pro-slavery exponent.

"Then, since you mention it, yes!" retorted Calhoun fretfully. "But I shall not go into the old argument of those who say that black it white, that South is North. It is only for my own race that I plan a wider America. But then—" Calhoun raised a long, thin hand. "Why," he went on slowly, "I have just told you that I have failed. And yet you, my old friend, whom I ought to trust, condemn me to live on!"

Doctor Samuel Ward took snuff again, but all the answer he made was to waggle his gray mane and

say. He is known as a man of rare tact. The other afternoon Judge Evans had a gathering of Masonic brethren in his chambers at the custom house. Before the meeting opened an outsider strayed into the room. The outsider showed no signs of going, and, as the meeting was a private one, the Masons began to wonder how the outsider was to be got rid of. Judge Evans was equal to the occasion.

Approaching the intruder, he shook him warmly by the hand. "Are you a Mason?" he asked.

"Sorry I'm not," replied the outsider.

"Well," observed the judge, "I was going to say if you were we would be glad to have you remain." Louisville Times.

Summer Conquests

"Are these all photographs of fellows you have been engaged to?"

"No. They're the fellows who did not propose."

"What in the world do you want of them?"

"Why, I am saving them to make a rogues' gallery."—Philadelphia Ledger.

It All Depends

In restaurants of middle class where people eat with spoons, We're apt to find it true, alas, That flies are in the soups.

In theaters 'tis turned about And much to our surprise, We find on scanning closely that The supes are in the flies.

—St. Louis Star.

Drifted Into It

"Yes, I've managed to get into debt pretty deeply, said Kayrliss. "Indeed," remarked Wise, "I gave you credit for more sense than you seem to have."

"H'm! the trouble was that my tailor gave me credit for more dollars than I seem to have," said Kayrliss. —Catholic Standard and Times.

Not a Spur to Ambition

A pompous man went into a drug store early one morning to buy a cigar. The only person he found there was the soda water dispenser. The boy was sweeping out the store.

"Sweeping out, eh?" said the man. "Well, that's how I got my start."

The boy looked him over and replied: "Aw, what do you want to discourage me like that for?"

When the man left he was frowning. —Denver Post.

This is what we will do for the CHRISTMAS FUND

For each empty quarter barrel MARVEL Flour or HEATH Flour sack, delivered to Mr. Berry, of Humane Society, at his home, 1318 Charles St., for North Siders, and Court House for South Siders, before December 24th, 1909, we authorize Mr. Berry to pay 5 cents in cash and we agree to redeem each sack at 10 cents, in this manner creating a fund for him to use at his discretion in buying food, or clothing, or fuel, to supply the deserving poor.

Any person can donate the empty sack if they wish and add their help toward making this fund larger.

We believe there are 4,000 families in La Crosse, who will have one or more sacks to donate or sell, and if so, the fund will enable Mr. Berry to do quickly and thoroughly his benevolent work.

Listman Mill Company

stare hard at the face of the other. "Yes," said he, at length, "I condemn you to fight on, John," and he smiled grimly.

"Why, look at you, man!" he broke out fiercely, after a moment. "The type and picture of combat! Good! bone, fine bone and hard; a hard head and bony; little eyes, set deep; strong, wiry muscles, not too big—fighting muscles, not dough; clean limbs; strong fingers; good arms, legs, neck; wide chest—"

"Then you give me hope?" Calhoun flashed a smile at him.

"No, sir! If you do your duty, there is no hope for you to live. If you do not do your duty, there is no hope for you to die, John Calhoun, for more than two years to come—perhaps five years—six. Keep up this work—as you must, my friend—and you die as surely as though I shot you through as you sit there. Now, is this any comfort to you?"

A gray pallor overspread my master's face. That truth is welcome to no man, morbid or sane, sound or ill; but brave men meet it as this one did. "Time to do much!" he murmured to himself. "Time to mend many broken vessels, in those two years. One more fight—yes, let us have it!"

But Calhoun the man was lost once more in Calhoun the visionary, the fanatic statesman. He summed up, as though to himself, something of the situation which then existed at Washington.

"Yes, the coast is clearer, now that Webster is out of the cabinet, but Mr. Upshur's death last month brings in new complications. Had he remained our secretary of state, much might have been done. It was only last October he proposed to Texas a treaty of annexation."

"Yes, and found Texas none so eager," frowned Doctor Ward.

"No; and why not? You and I know well enough. Sir, Richard Pakenham, the English plenipotentiary here, could tell if he liked. England is busy with Texas. Texas owes large funds to England. England wants Texas as a colony. There is fire under this smoke talk of Texas dividing into two governments, one, at least, under England's gentle and unselfish care!"

"And now, look you," Calhoun continued, rising, and pacing up and down, "look what is the evidence. Van Zandt, charge d'affaires in Washington for the Republic of Texas, wrote Secretary Upshur only a month before Upshur's death, and told him to go carefully or he would drive Mexico to resume the war, and so cost Texas the friendship of England! Excellent Mr. Van Zandt! I at least know what the friendship of England means. So, he asks us if we will protect Texas with troops and ships in case she does sign that agreement of annexation. Cunning Mr. Van Zandt. He knows what that answer must be today, with England ready to fight us for Texas and Oregon both, and we wholly unready for war. Cunning Mr. Van Zandt, covert friend of England! And lucky Mr. Upshur, who was killed, and so never had to make that answer."

"But, John, another will have to make it, one way or the other," said his friend.

"Yes!" The long hand smote on the table.

"President Tyler has offered you Mr. Upshur's portfolio as secretary of state?"

"Yes!" The long hand smote again.

Doctor Ward made no comment beyond a long whistle, as he recrossed his legs. His eyes were fixed on Calhoun's frowning face. "There will be events!" said he at length, grinning.

"I have not yet accepted," said Calhoun. "If I do, it will be to bring Texas and Oregon into this

A FAMOUS HEALTH BUILDER

A medicine that will cleanse the bowels and put them in condition to do their proper work unaided will do more than anything else to preserve health and strength. Such a medicine is the tonic laxative herb tea, Lane's Family Medicine. Get a 25c package today at any druggist's or dealer's. No matter what you have tried before try this famous herb tea.

REV. WM. S. HEIST CALLED TO TRINITY

At the parish meeting of the English Lutheran church of the Holy Trinity last evening, Rev. William S. Heist of Scranton, Pa., was called to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Rev. J. J. Clemens. The pulpit will be supplied until the arrival of the new pastor. Miss Agnes Selund was asked to take the place of organist at the church.

REIMANN CONTRIBUTES \$200

Through an error in he published list of subscribers to the Greater La Crosse Industrial association, the name of F. A. Reimann, proprietor of the Fashion Shop, who subscribed \$200 to the fund was set up so as to read F. A. Belmann. There was no contributor by the latter name.

"GOOD GROWING WEATHER"

When the New Scalp Antiseptic is Used

A good head of hair is as much a "crown of glory," for a man as it is for woman, notwithstanding all the poetry on the subject applied to the female sex exclusively. In the season when flies bite, the bald headed man can sympathize with the Egyptians who were so sorely plagued on account of the children of Israel. Why not try Newbro's Herpicide? Others have been benefitted and are loud in its praise. It cleanses the scalp, kills the germ at the root of the hair and by keeping the scalp sweet, pure and wholesome, the hair is bound to grow as nature intended, regardless of the temperature. Try it and be convinced. Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich. One dollar bottles guaranteed. Hoessler Bros., special agents.

Our DIRECTORS Direct

We have a discount committee that approves all loans weekly.

We have an examining committee that examines the bank quarterly.

Our board of directors holds monthly meetings when all loans are passed upon by them.

Batavian National Bank
LA CROSSE, WIS.

COMPLETE NEWS OF THE NORTH SIDE TODAY

FUR SETS

Large rug muff and shawl collar, with head trimming, for Friday—

\$10.98

POEHLING'S

SPECIAL SALE

On Seamless Ivory Enameled

TEA POTS

2 pint, each . . . \$1.00 | 4 pint, each . . . \$1.25
3 pint, each . . . \$1.10 | 5 pint, each . . . \$1.35

This ware is fully warranted and will last for years. Why not get one for Christmas?
Store Open Evenings.

Fred Kroner Hardware Co.
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WHY WAIT

until my stock of

Christmas Tree Lighting Outfits

are all gone? Buy now and save money.

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Both Phones. The Electrical Fixologist, 225 No. 6th St.

Honour your friends intelligence by sending a good book, one that he will appreciate in many years to come.

The Bible in Shakspeare \$1.50
The Religion of Ruskin - \$2.00

By Wm. Burgess.

Boxed ready for mailing.

On sale at

WEIS' BOOK STORE,

Or call up Phone 942-A and will send it.

SHE SPENT \$30,000; GOWN BILLS DUE

MINEOLA, L. I., Dec. 16. — Mrs. Mary Blair Brokaw, on the stand in her separation and alimony suit against her husband, has reiterated that during the first year of their marriage her husband allowed her \$30,000, but she insisted that this was to be in addition to her gowns and other articles of wearing apparel. Bills for the latter, she said, had not been paid, although when she incurred the obligations she expected her husband to meet them.

This statement was brought out by her lawyers and was intended to impress Justice Putnam regarding the amount of the alimony she should be granted.

BIG TIN PLATE WORKS TO OPEN

GARY, Ind., Dec. 16. — Gary is to have another big steel plant, which

will represent an outlay of \$4,500,000. The latest addition to the city mill district is the works of the American Sheet and Tin Plate company, a subsidiary company of the United States Steel corporation. The building plans were made public here today.

The completed plant will employ 2,000 skilled laborers and the first department is expected to be ready for operation by next fall.

When the various plants are completed they will furnish employment to 50,000 men.

WOMEN TAILORS TO START FACTORY

CHICAGO, Dec. 16. — The ladies tailors union of Chicago whose members are now locked out of most of the tailoring establishments here today announced that the union would establish a big co-operative tailoring establishment and fight the master tailors on their own ground.

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GOLD DOES NOT STOP TRACKING

Milwaukee Road Expects to Have Double Tracks Finished in the Spring

According to reports received at the local office of the Milwaukee road, in connection with the double tracking, there are about thirty concrete construction crews at work placing concrete abutments, for culverts and bridges on the new double track between Wabasha and Richmond, a few miles north of this city.

A new crew arrived at Winona last night, many of the men sleeping in the station there. This crew will devote its time to the construction and installation of a new water tank at Winona. This will replace the wooden tank which is located there at the present time, according to reports received in this city. The capacity of the tank will be increased from 48,000 gallons to 75,000 gallons, making it one of the largest tanks in this vicinity.

The cold weather does not interfere in any way with the concrete work that is being done by these crews. A means by which a heating boiler is used prevents the cold from having any effect on the work. By working these crews through the entire winter season, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway will make marked progress in the double tracking work which they hope to have finished by the end of the winter.

NORTH SIDE IN BRIEF

John H. Griffin, special agent for the Louisville Insurance company of Chicago, was a business caller on the north side yesterday.

Miss Florence Simonson, 1724 Loomis street, is confined to her home by illness.

William Sheeley, 1710 Loomis street, who was recently injured by a street car, is getting along as well as could be expected.

Miss Vivian Johnson, 630 Caledonia street, is seriously ill at her home.

Miss Selma Burk and Gilman Burk will entertain the Young People's society of the Bethel Lutheran church in the church parlors this evening.

Miss Ethel Yarrington, 2303 Loomis street, is confined to her home by illness.

Wm. Hanson has resigned his position as car clerk at the "Q" and will leave soon for the west, where he has a homestead.

William O'Gar has resumed his duties as switchman at the "Q" after several weeks' illness.

Benjamin Emerson is installing a new set of batteries in the "Q" yard office at Grand Crossing.

Passenger 50 on the "Q" due in the city at 2:15 a. m., is ten hours late on account of the storm out west.

Ed Webber, foreman of a Milwaukee switching crew on the north side is confined to his home with a wrenched ankle sustained by slipping on the snow yesterday while performing his duties.

Two freight cars on the Milwaukee road climbed the rail near the coal shed yesterday and required the use of the derrick to place them back on the track.

Passenger train No. 55 on the Milwaukee road, due here at 10:45 a. m., was over an hour late this morning.

SURPRISE PARTY AND MUSICALS

A very pleasant surprise party was given last night at the home of Steve Thompson, 1935 Charles street, in honor of Miss Tena Gabrielson of Ardendale, Montana. The evening was spent in playing games and other amusements. Supper was served at 12 o'clock and tables were set for thirty. The rooms were prettily decorated with evergreens and red, white and blue bunting. The prizes were given as follows: Pie contest—Anna Vaundry, first; Emma Hero, second. Peanut contest—Emma Faulgraf, first; Herman Thompson, second. Postoffice contest—Will Roth, first; Tena Gabrielson, second. Piano playing, duets—Erick Erickson and Con Severson, first prize; Helmer Christiansen and Agnes Mickels, second prize. Violin solo—Mabel Thompson, first; Selma Severson, second.

Those present were: Misses Tena Gabrielson, Agnes Mickels of Sparta, Helen Frey of North Junction, Selma Burke of Lansing, Iowa, Geda Jacobson of Eau Claire, Emma Faulgraf of Onalaska, Mary Hanson of West Salem, Josie Severson, Selma Severson, of La Crosse, Mabel Christiansen, Emma Hero, of Midway, Clara Hanson, Nan Leaser, Mamie Sumlin, of La Crosse, Mabel Thompson, Anna Vaundry, Augusta Vaundry, of Stickler, Ill. Messrs. Erick Erickson of Blanding, Ill., Will Roth, Con Severson, John Severson, Knute Mickelboost, of La Crosse, Leo Simensen of Bangor, Harry and Helmer Christiansen of Bell's Coulee, John Rathburn, Herman Thompson, of La Crosse, Charley Welsh of Medary, Art Larson and Alf Bolstad of La

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As to quality, the mere fact that we have been selling Furs to the most critical buyers, is the best kind of guarantee possible. As to PRICES we quote the very lowest. As to STYLE, our Furs speak for themselves.

Near Lynx Sets, with large pillow muff, shawl collar finished with head and tails, a set worth \$18.90, special price **\$12.00**

A Blue Wolf Set, with large shawl and rug muff, both Skinner satin lined, worth \$40.00. Special price **\$27.50**

River Mink Sets, pillow muff and various style of neck pieces. Special price **\$8.50**

Genuine Black Lynx Sets, Lyons' dye, extra large rug muff, silky and heavy furred shawl collar; worth \$100.00. Special price **\$62.50**

Fur Coats Specially Priced

Pony Coat with genuine Black Lynx shawl collar, lined with brocaded satin; \$75.00 coat. Special **\$42.50**

Beautiful quality of Near Seal Coat, Skinner satin lined; \$50.00 coat. Special **\$30.00**

Pony Coats, finely marked, guaranteed lining; \$45.00 coat. Special **\$25.00**

Near Seal Coats, Skinner satin lined; \$27.50 coat. Special **\$18.50**



Crosse. All departed at a late hour reporting an excellent time. Miss Tena Gabrielson left on the Burlington morning train for Ardendale, Mont.

SNOW A DELAY TO PASSENGER TRAINS

All trains on the Milwaukee road last night and this morning were from one to three hours late, because of the heavy snows and the slippery condition of the rails. The cold makes it difficult for the engineers to keep up steam and the slippery tracks produce a difficulty that is hard to contend with. The size of many of the passenger trains is also a factor in the lateness of the trains under such conditions. During the past week and a half, passenger train No. 55 on the Milwaukee road, due here at 10:45 a. m., has been on time but once. This morning the train was one hour and five minutes late. No. 3 was also over an hour late.

SETTLEMENT BY OTHER METHODS

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 16. — Despite the fact that the special meeting of the railway department of the American Federation of Labor called for Saturday in St. Paul has been heralded as a momentous event which would affect the switchmen's strike considerably, there is now some possibility that a settlement may be reached through some other channels. The aspect of the situation changes rapidly in a few hours and the chances are that the meeting

in progress between the switchmen and general managers' committee in Chicago may result in some kind of a compromise or arbitration.

Strike leaders have practically maintained right along that they did not wish for any sympathy strike, but since the announcement that the railway department of the American Federation of Labor would meet in St. Paul Saturday, the general opinion has been that the main question to be taken under consideration would be a sympathetic strike. But it is to be inferred from remarks of strike leaders that no such action was to be looked for which would indicate that new measures were being projected, which it was hoped would bring about the desired end.

Mr. Hawley said that he had received a telegram from President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor yesterday but the head of the Switchmen's union would not say whether Mr. Gompers would attend the meeting on Saturday. It is believed, however, that Mr. Gompers will not come here. He left Pittsburgh for Washington Tuesday evening, and it is not thought that he will come this way. Mr. Hawley explained that Mr. Gompers had a labor paper which made his presence at Washington necessary.

HANKERSON BEATEN BY KOPPELBERGER

Playing in excellent form, F. L. Koppelberger, 210, defeated F. H. Hankerson, 180, yesterday in the billiard tournament at the La Crosse club by a score of 210 to 163. The winner played good billiards averaging about 3.15 and making high runs of 21, 13, 12, 12, and 10 besides many others which came close to the double figure column. Following are the results of yesterday's games:

	Handicap.	Made
Raymond	75	75
Nelson	100	89
Gatterdam	120	120
Hankerson	180	155
Brayton	80	80
Kurtacker	80	62
Brayton	80	80
Nelson	100	66
Mac Millan	110	110
Westby	150	116
Raymond	75	75
Holway	70	40
Mulford	50	50
Lamb	50	32
Koppelberger	210	210
Hankerson	180	163

GAYNOR WILL NOT BE U. S. PRESIDENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 16. — Politicians today are discussing Mayor-elect Gaynor's address last night. He said: "I want to state distinctly and positively that I have no ambition to become president of the United States. All I am anxious to do is to give the city of New York the best government possible."

FRISCO P. O. CLERK IS ARRESTED

PARIS, Dec. 16. — A man named Cohen, former employee of the San Francisco postoffice, was arrested here today on a charge of having stolen registered letters and a package containing valuable pearls. Extrajudicial papers have been granted and Cohen will be taken to San Francisco in charge of a detective.

PRINCIPALS IN FRIDAY'S BENEFIT



Donald Mac Donald and Elsie Ott, as they will appear in "Up and Down Broadway" at the La Crosse theater Friday night for the benefit of the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis association.

What Ails You?

Do you feel weak, tired, despondent, have frequent headaches, coated tongue, bitter or bad taste in morning, "heart-burn," belching of gas, acid risings in throat after eating, stomach gnaw or burn, foul breath, dizzy spells, poor or variable appetite, nausea at times and kindred symptoms?

If you have any considerable number of the above symptoms you are suffering from biliousness, torpid liver with indigestion, or dyspepsia. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is made up of the most valuable medicinal principles known to medical science for the permanent cure of such abnormal conditions. It is a most efficient liver invigorator, stomach tonic, bowel regulator and nerve strengthener.

The "Golden Medical Discovery" is not a patent medicine or secret nostrum, a full list of its ingredients being printed on its bottle-wrapper and attested under oath. A glance at these will show that it contains no alcohol, or harmful habit-forming drugs. It is a fluid extract made with pure, triple-refined glycerine, of proper strength, from the roots of native American medicinal forest plants. World's Dispensary Medical Association, Props., Buffalo, N. Y.



Christmas Decorations

Evergreen, Holly Wreaths, Coil
Greens, Needle Pines,
Delaware Holly,
Case Lots.

John C. Burns Fruit House



Vanilla, Raspberry and
New York in Quart Bricks.
ICE CREAM & BUTTER COMPANY.



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YOUR WORK

We are ready for work, whether
it's only a small repair job or in-
stalling a modern, up to date bath
room or heating system. We'll give
you good, honest service, too, for
we are rather proud of our work,
and take pains to make it last-
ingly good. That means less trouble
for both you and us later on.

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McGREGOR, IOWA

Mrs. Lou Kramer returned Tues-
day from Lisbon, Iowa, where she
had been visiting her brother, Dr.
Jason Kinsley.
Mr. and Mrs. Mike Riley of Moody
Ridge were shopping in town Tues-
day.
Miss Mable Snyder has returned
from the Dakotas, where she had
been with an aunt for the past few
months.
Misses Katie and Anna Bird were
surprised with a new piano as their
Christmas gift from their mother,
purchased of our townsman, F. Gar-
monia.
H. M. Gray went to Fennimore
Monday morning to get box ball al-
leys in running shape for F. Berg-
man.
Will Evans was an over Sunday

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in the
Lens

MOTHER'S GLASSES

May be worn out and these new
glasses will enable her to see near
and far with the one pair. How
happy she will be to get a new
pair in gold or silver frames or
rimless.

Cost more and Worth it.
H. C. EVENSON
EYESIGHT SPECIALIST,
500 Main Street, Upstairs.
Open Evenings Until Christmas

PERSONALS

The best yet, the new pop!
Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bur-
cun yesterday, a nine and a half
pound son.
Mrs. Deegan of Mound Prairie is
the guest this week of her parents,
Mr. and Mrs. John Morris of St. Jo-
seph's Ridge.
Humane Agent Charles H. Berry
has had numerous complaints of
horses being left unblanketed in the
down town streets. He will keep a
vigilant lookout for violators of this
rule and will bring action for cruelty
to animals against teamsters who
persist in leaving their horses out in
the weather without proper cover-
ings.
Hack calls promptly made. Phone
179, Gateway City Tr'r Line.
Henry Hallauer of the Western
Pearl Button company who has been
making an extensive visit in Europe,
returned to the United States on the
steamship America and is now in
Philadelphia. He is expected home
soon.

J. O. Engleman has returned from
an inspection of rural schools, after
driving thirty miles in one day. This
is one of the duties of the normal
school teacher.

Prof. Sanford of the new state
normal school has returned from
Madison where he acted as judge in
one of the intercollegiate debates.

The Y. M. C. A. basketball league
begins the first of its scheduled
games at the new Y. M. C. A. build-
ing this evening.

Following a mist of snow during
the morning the weather moderated
here considerably.

American District Messenger Ser-
vice. Let our boys carry your hol-
iday parcels; quick service; reason-
able rates. Phone 9 both lines.

A full dress rehearsal for "Up and
Down Broadway" was held at the
theater last night and the piece is
said to be way ahead of the first
production a few weeks ago.

Dr. Geo. Powell, consulting physi-
cian and surgeon.

Floyd Lake and wife of Sterling,
Col., have been visiting friends in
the city. Mr. Lake was at one time
on the reportorial staff of the Morn-
ing Chronicle, in the days of Charlie
Lush, later went to railroading and
is now a railroad engineer of Colora-
do. He is interested in farm lands
near Sterling and owns a half in-
terest in one of the largest cigar stores
of Denver.

A. M. Stondahl, Madison, former
senator, was in the city yesterday
on business.

Assemblyman E. J. Kneen of Ban-
gor was a business visitor in the city
yesterday.

Dr. W. S. Beck has returned to
his home in Indianapolis after spend-
ing a few days in the interests of his
property here, which is in the hands
of his financial agent, Judge L. Klee-
ber.

Large crews of men employed by
the board of public works are em-
ployed removing snow from walks
where the property owners failed to
shovel.

Dr. Will Powell, diseases of women
The advance sale for "Up and
Down Broadway" indicates the soci-
ety play being repeated for the ben-
efit of the Anti-Tuberculosis fund,
will be well patronized tomorrow
night.

The Elks will initiate candidates
this evening and transact other im-
portant business. The Elks have de-
cided to continue their semi-monthly
dances, since the last was such a big
success.

E. J. Means of Oshkosh is in La
Crosse today for a few days' business
visit.

William F. Wolfe is attending a
lawsuit today at Mt. Pleasant.

J. E. Berry, the noted Chicago
horseman passed through La Crosse
today and interviewed local horse-
men on his way to St. Paul, where
he will visit the Midway horse mar-
kets.

H. N. Ziefeldt of Sheboygan is in
La Crosse attending the sessions of
the Retail Implement and Vehicle
show of Neillville is
the guest of La Crosse friends for a
few days.

C. Hilmo of Waukon, Iowa, vis-
ited with friends in this city yester-
day.

W. G. Corcoran of Grand Rapids
is a business visitor in La Crosse to-
day.

The Ladies' society of the West
Avenue Lutheran church is being
entertained in the church parlors
this afternoon.

Dan Davis of Red Lodge, Mont., is
spending a few days with friends in
this city.

E. M. Olds of Madison is in La

Why Does It Cure

Not because it is Sarsaparilla,
but because it is a medicine of
peculiar merit, composed of more
than twenty different remedial
agents effecting phenomenal
cures of troubles of the blood,
stomach, liver and bowels.
Thus Hood's Sarsaparilla cures scrofu-
la, eczema, anemia, catarrh, nervous-
ness, that tired feeling, dyspepsia, loss
of appetite, and builds up the system.
Get it today in the usual liquid form or in
chocolate tablet form called Sarsatabs.

Crosse for a few days attending the
Vehicle Dealers' convention.
Dealers' association.

M. Omerberg, of this city, was at
Mound Prairie, Minn., on business
the fore part of the week.

Mrs. S. S. Sheldon and daughter,
Julia, were La Crosse callers Tues-
day of this week.

Mr. Charles Morris, an old W. B. U.
student, who has many La Crosse
friends, is now established in Chi-
nook, Mont., where he is conducting
a most prosperous business. He has
just written to the W. B. U. for two
office assistants.

John Senn was in the city from
Bush Valley, Minn., on business
Wednesday.

Miss Mary Buchholz of this city
is the guest of friends at Hokah.

Mrs. J. C. Holm returned to her
home at Hokah Tuesday after receiv-
ing medical treatment at a local hos-
pital.

Rev. S. Reque of Spring Grove
was a La Crosse caller on Monday.

O. W. Nelson of Spring Grove
transacted business in the city Tues-
day.

Mr. J. W. Lowe, a W. B. U. stu-
dent, left this morning to accept a
position at the Gays Mills Bank, Gays
Mills, Wis.

Mrs. Gerhard Reque and daughter
Bertha of Spring Grove visited with
friends here early in the week.

Miss Anna Van Arx of Bush Valley,
Minn., was in the city on a shopping
expedition this week.

The Franklin club will this even-
ing debate the question, "Resolved,
that the city of La Crosse should
establish a trade school."

SOCIETY

CARD PARTY

Mrs. Nellie Currie, 332 North Sixth
street, entertained the Wednesday
Afternoon Card club at her home.
The prizes were taken by Mesdames
A. H. Hill, A. L. Hunt and Schuster.

SURPRISE PARTY

Miss Mollie Hanley of North Tenth
street was delightfully surprised
Tuesday evening by twenty of her
friends, who came bearing baskets
filled with good things to cheer the
inner man. The occasion was the
eighteenth birthday anniversary of
the impromptu hostess. After greet-
ings had been exchanged, the baskets
were unpacked and soon the table
was spread with a feast fit for the
gods. A short musical program was
given after which each one was re-
quested to do some original stunt.
Some of them were very ludicrous
and side-splitting. Every one, how-
ever, declared that the time was well
spent, even if it was at the expense
of sewing on buttons the next day.

TOMORROW'S SOCIETY EVENT

"Up and Down Broadway" which
will be staged tomorrow evening at
the La Crosse theater by Donald Mac-
Donald for the benefit of the Anti-
Tuberculosis fund will undoubtedly
have a large attendance. Several of
the college girls who are home for
the Christmas holidays will take
prominent parts, and it is assured
the entertainment will be fully up
to the mark as good or better than
the previous one. Several new spe-
cialties will be introduced to add
greatly to the affair.

TWELVE INJURED IN TRAIN WRECK

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Twelve pas-
sengers were injured in the wreck on
the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul
railroad near Bayard, Iowa, early to-
day. The officials of the railroad de-
clare none of the injured will die.
The statement says the engine, bag-
gage car and smoker left the tracks
and rolled down an embankment, the
other coaches remaining on the ties.

Be thoughtful; the iron enters the
soul in after life when we have been
neglectful of those who have loved
us.

PEARL BUTTON PLANT DOUBLED

Important Announcement Is
Made Today by Mr.

D. W. Mac-
Willie

WILL EMPLOY 350 HANDS

Western Banana Crate Co.
Is Moved to Give the

Growing Factory
More Room

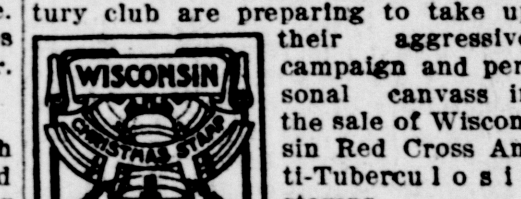
Coincident with the organization
of the \$100,000 industrial corpora-
tion here for the promotion of indus-
tries comes the important announce-
ment today from Manager D. W. Mac-
Willie of the Wisconsin Pearl Button
company, that this concern will im-
mediately double its capacity. How-
ever, no aid is asked by the button
company and the increase in its ca-
pacity will be made without the as-
sistance of the new corporation. It is
merely a substantial growth of a
wonderfully prosperous business and
taken as an indication of the possi-
bilities of industrial growth in La
Crosse when a sound business insti-
tution is in capable hands.

The old plant of the company, just
south of the causeway, has been
running night and day with full
crews for three months, but even
with this extra work it has been im-
possible for the company to keep up
with its orders. As a result the com-
pany secured the building nearby oc-
cupied by the Western Banana Crate
company which is 60 by 60 feet and
the work of installing the new ma-
chinery has already begun. For two
weeks, until the new plant can be
fixed up the company will discon-
tinue its night shift.

Twenty men have been added to
the employees in the past four weeks
and forty more will be employed as
soon as the new building is in work-
ing order. When the plant is again in
running order it will employ a total
of 350 people, including the carders.

LADIES TAKE UP PERSONAL WORK

The ladies of the Twentieth Cen-
tury club are preparing to take up
their aggressive
campaign and per-
sonal canvass in
the sale of Wiscon-
sin Red Cross Anti-
Tuberculosis stamps.



The illness to-
day of Mrs. W. R.
Finch, who has
been a leader in
the movement
hampered the
plans to some extent, but it is antici-
pated that the organized corps of
ladies will be busy before the end of
the week, soliciting from those of
the merchants and business men who
have as yet failed to purchase allot-
ments of stamps.

The campaign in La Crosse is go-
ing ahead in excellent shape, and
it is said that the schools of this city
stand an excellent show to win the
\$700 vacuum cleaning system, which
is offered for the largest sale of
stamps in proportion to size, by any
city in the state.

VIROQUA, WIS.

The city council last night ap-
pointed Dr. U. E. Butt as justice of
the peace, in place of Squire Toney,
resigned.

Ge. and Mrs. E. N. Rogers depart
Thursday morning for Texas to spend
the cold season.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Minshall and two
sons of Spokane, Wash., are ex-
pected here for an extended visit with
relatives.

Thos. Call of Westby is in the city
today.

Marriage Licenses

Francis Parker, La Farge, and
Nora Evans, Hillsboro.

Real Estate Transfers

John T. Stoll to Marshall Reed,
188 acres, sec. 18, 12-3, \$3,200.

Henry N. Walker to George U.
Mathers, 40, sec. 6, 14-1, \$3,000.

Sarah M. Bender to E. O. Bender,
tract in Viola.

E. J. Smith to Markee Berg, tract,
sec. 34, 13-4, \$175.

Mahlan Lund to Peter C. Hoff, 40,
and strip, 14-5, \$1,475.

Pauline Moe to Anne Knutson, 90,
sec. 18, 13-5, \$3,000.

Albert Cary to Gustav Norden, 40,
sec. 28, 13-3, \$600.

Be liberal; you may be hungry
yourself some day.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR ALL

Post Card Albums20c
Handkerchief Boxes50c
Glove Boxes50c
Toilet Sets\$1.50
Manicure Sets\$1.25
Smokers' Sets50c
Baby Sets\$1.25
Shaving Sets75c
Military Brush Sets\$1.00
Good Safety Razors\$1.00
Traveling Sets\$1.00
Box Perfumery25c
Box Fancy Paper25c
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And hundreds more of suitable ones,
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CHAS. BEYSCHLAG'S
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Christmas Gifts
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"Good Taste"

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CHOICEST SELECTION of ARTISTIC RECORDS

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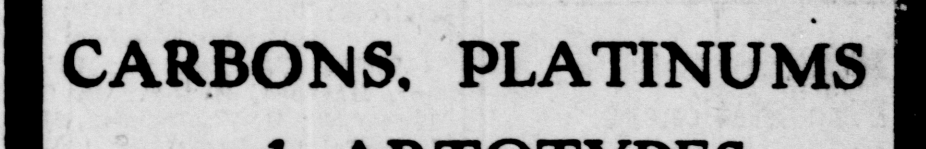
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IRVINE'S

The Christmas gift buying public have made Irvine's Jewelry Store
the busiest place in town. Buy your presents from us. Watches,
Jewelry, Silverware, Cut Glass, Clocks, etc., from one-third to one-
half lower than the same articles can be bought elsewhere.

Solid gold Finger Rings, engraved Band and beautiful Stone Set
Rings, large assortment at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00

Solid gold Signet Rings, initials engraved free \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50

Neck Chains and 2 picture Locketts, guaranteed 20 years; com-
plete \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$3.75 up

6 Knives and Forks, Rogers' \$3.25 and \$3.50

Tea Spoons, Rogers', set of 6 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25

Berry Spoons, Rogers', each \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50

Fruit Knives, set of 6 \$1.50, \$1.75

3-piece Toilet Sets, Silver Comb, Brush and Mirror . \$6.00, \$6.50, \$7

Men's Military Brush Sets \$5.00, \$5.50, \$6.00

Choose your presents now and have them engraved and laid aside
until Christmas. A small deposit will hold them.

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Diamonds. Watches. Jewelry

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I want every chronic rheumatic to throw away all medicines, all liniments, all plasters, and give MURPHY'S RHEUMATISM REMEDY a trial. No matter what your doctor may say, no matter what your friends may say, no matter how prejudiced you may be against all advertised remedies, go at once to your drug store and get a bottle of the RHEUMATISM REMEDY. If it fails to give satisfaction, I will refund your money. Remember this remedy contains no salicylic acid, no opium, cocaine, morphine or other harmful drugs. It is put up under the guarantee of the Pure Food and Drug Act.

For sale by all druggists. Price, 25c.

Special Offer:

Wines and Liquors in small quantities and case goods for the holiday trade can be purchased for less money than anywhere in the city at John Ambrose, 400 Main St.

Special Offer of Felton New England Rum at \$1.50 per gallon.

CALENDAR PADS

for
1910
S. J. de Ranitz & Co.
205 Main St.

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On Real Estate Security
Abstracts and bonding a specialty. Fire, Tornado, Boiler, Plate Glass and Liability Insurance. Room 9, Funk's Block, 328 Pearl Street, La Crosse, Wis. Both Phones.

Manicure Sets Fine Stationery Cigars Art Calendars Safety Razors Pipes

are a few suggestions Erhart has to offer for holiday gifts.

O. T. Erhart DRUGGIST

Majestic Theatre Building

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

FOR SALE—Practically new roll top desk. Address Desk, care of Tribune. 12-16-18

FOR SALE—A National cash register; cost \$125, almost new; will sell for \$60 cash. Address Cash Register, care of Tribune. 12-16-18

FOR SALE—Cheap, a Dinsmore typewriter in good condition. Address Typewriter, care of Tribune. 12-16-18

WANTED—Salesladies at once; must have had some experience. Apply Gen. Mgr's office Doerflinger's. 12-16-16

RETURNS FROM TRIP

TO SON'S NEW HOME
William G. Garbers, 1512 Madison street, former member of the county board from the town of Barre, has returned from Vermillion, Alberta, Canada, where he has been visiting his son, who went there a few years ago to take up a home. The young man has a fine farm six miles from Vermillion and expects to remain on the property for another year, after which he will probably sell it and return.

TO-NIGHT Circarets

25c 50c

IMPLEMENT MEN TO ELECT TODAY

Executive Sessions Are Held
and Delegates Say
They Are Much
Pleased

The morning executive session of the convention of the Wisconsin Retail Implement and Vehicle Dealers' association was held at the headquarters, the Stoddard hotel, the chief business being mainly the meeting of the officers of the association and the various standing committees to consider the conditions and difficulties of the trade and the business of the convention in the city the past two days.

At this afternoon's session, which is also executive, the chief business will be the election of officers for the ensuing year. The results of the election will be made public this evening. This afternoon's session will be the last of the convention, the delegates and dealers leaving tonight for their homes. The visiting officers of the association express themselves as heartily pleased with their treatment while in the city and have nothing but words of commendation for La Crosse and its good hotel which comes in for a large share of the praise.

Evening of Entertainment
Last evening over two hundred delegates and their wives and a few outsiders were entertained at a smoker and general good time at Germania hall, arranged by a committee composed of Homer Hart, A. Hirschheimer and C. A. Ward of Chasburg. Judge Brindley was master of ceremonies and with A. Hirschheimer, who spoke on the progress of implement manufacture in the last fifty years, and R. C. Haskins, a harvester man, helped keep the audience in an uproar until the music began. John L. Uermoechl sang two bass solos, and at 9:30 the Bijou entertainers began to arrive and filled in a delightful hour. At 11 o'clock lunch was served and Kreutz's orchestra helped make the evening a delightful one.

The following delegates and members of the association have been in attendance at the convention this week:

Delegates Present
O. E. Scherer, Palmyra; R. L. Nash, Grand Rapids; George Ewen, Antigo; Gustave Borscheardt, Klondike; C. E. Ward, Chasburg; D. G. James, Richland Center; L. H. Kraus, Port Washington; S. A. McCoy, Freedom; John H. Sterling, Ferryville; Thomas Finney, Cassville; D. W. Allaby, Mauston; Robert G. Nicks, Tomah; Below & Brewer, Ripon; E. R. Johnson, Centerville; W. M. Miller, Stanley; J. G. Moe, Eau Claire; L. H. Howard Neillville; J. B. Watson, Fond du Lac; Charles Nerud, Elroy; H. A. Schulz, Portage; Frank Wartman, Norwalk; F. J. Simon, Humbird; William Gautsch, La Crosse; Chist Hett, Wilton; George A. Spiegelberg, Brownsville; E. J. Williams, Randolph; William Beck, Seymour; H. C. Hart, La Crosse; B. Emerson, Melrose; D. C. Jones, DePere.

Honorary Members
J. H. Collins, Delavan; M. P. O'Connor, Harvard; H. F. B. Granger, Janesville; H. W. Johnson, Madison; L. O. Palmer, La Crosse; J. W. Wolf, Waukesha; F. L. Bennington, Wauwatosa; George Crotty, Madison; Fred W. Kamm, Madison; G. Thomas, Appleton; J. W. Feek, E. J. Dean, Janesville; J. G. Stewart, Janesville; H. L. Smith, Chicago; Ed. Hauk, Chicago; R. G. Nuss, Rock Island; H. F. M. Gardner, A. J. McCreery, F. D. Clark, H. Holtz, J. J. Baker, Milwaukee; R. G. Frisch, R. C. Haskins, Chicago; J. M. Robinson, Chicago; L. E. Viers, Milwaukee; C. J. Kalkhurst, Beaver Dam; Timothy Mullenwey, Waukesha; G. F. Halverson, Wauwatosa; Thomas J. Ross, Madison; William Blums, Portage; John Pokorny, Prairie du Chien; C. H. Kellier, S. Sigeron, Madison; S. N. Vrooman, C. H. Bachman, Milwaukee; H. S. McManners, Madison; C. H. Jewel, Winona, Minn.; A. Coleman, Madison; E. F. Bolte, Eau Claire; W. Levens, S. L. Wright, Winona, Minn.; J. W. Herrington, Madison; D. P. Johnson, Stoughton; E. W. Carter, Auguste; B. G. Calvin, Madison; R. L. Brown, Bangor; J. W. Sebesthal, Eau Claire; H. Holz, Neillsville; C. H. Lueck, New London; V. L. Ward, Glenwood, Sewel Peterson, Minneapolis, Minn.; W. P. Elliott, Madison; C. S. Cotton, Minneapolis, Minn.; W. H. Harrison, Madison; C. H. Gamble, Milwaukee; R. Small, La Crosse; E. D. Geyer, Mason City, Ia.; O. C. Parker, Racine; D. J. Sexton, Madison; A. P. Peck, Woodstock.

Afternoon session
The second session of the convention at the Germania hall yesterday afternoon was taken up by speeches pertaining to the many difficulties of the trade in general. J. A. Craig of Janesville gave an interesting and beneficial address to the delegates on the subject of estimating costs and cost accounting. He analyzed the average business of the vehicle dealer at the present stage and stated that a fair average for the season was a profit of about \$800. Many dealers failed to realize this as they handle other lines of business. He advocated a plan and a general method of cost accounting, which would increase the cost of farm machinery, which from his basis was due the implement dealer.

R. C. Haskins of the International Harvester company delivered an address along the same line as the speaker who preceded him.

E. P. Armknecht of the Iowa association gave an interesting talk on many phases of implement business, advocating cost accounting, cultivation of friendship of traveling salesman and local implement dealers' clubs.

W. S. Thomas of Springfield, O., was absent and in his place a very brief and to-the-point speech was delivered by Curtis Johnson of Rush City, Minn. He explained business

BOWLERS MEET TO ORGANIZE TONIGHT

Session of Those Interested
in St. Paul Tournament
will Be at Hunt's
Alleys

A meeting of bowlers will be held at Hunt's alleys this evening for the purpose of organizing teams for the international tournament which is to be held in St. Paul early in the coming year. All those who belonged to the leagues of 1908 and 1909 are expected to be present.

A match game has been arranged at the Combination alleys between Pope's Colts of Hunt's alleys and the Nationals of the North Side league.

SOCIETY BENEFIT OPERA TOMORROW

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The opera tomorrow night will furnish a start towards the twenty thousand.

Dr. Evans is not alone in endorsing the play as the plan of putting it on for what is probably the most popular charity has received the endorsement of every civic and society organization in La Crosse.

The play in itself is worth twice the money spent for admission and is filled with light, snappy and catchy musical numbers upon which the success of leading comic operas was based. Numbers from "Babes in Toyland," "Havana," the opera which set New York wild, and "A Knight for a Day," are to be put on together with dances, the performance of which would do credit to professionals. It is light and breezy and includes everything found in the best musical productions.

The following is a complete list of the young La Crosse people who have donated their efforts towards making the benefit a success: Mrs. Grace MacLinden-Bartl, Helen Miller, Leona Weimer, Grace Heath, Ruth Heath, Eleanor Marston, Mrs. Walter Robbins, Elsie Ott, Frieda Michel, Marie Wheeler, Viola Doerflinger, Mable West, Pearl Bell, Dagna Jordstad, Rita Parks, Alice Parker, Jeanette Wankerson, Laura Cunningham, Ruth Leisnering, Josephine Warsaw, Leona Doerflinger, Georgina Young, Carmelle Young, Anastasia Felzer, Irene Dineen, Ruth Hillstead, Daisy Gage, Bernice Barber, Hattie Houthmaker, Antoinette Lennon, Margery Gordon, Elsie Newburg, Ruplin, Edith Derr and Hazel Viets; Messrs. Donald MacDonald, Parmalee Smith, Ruel Russell, Herbert Moss, Walter Harrington, Will Owen, Emil Nemeyer, Aubrey Richmond, Gussey Roy, Harry Gatterdam, Earl Richmond, John Partridge, Clarence Webb, Joseph Bartl, George Hillstead, Ben Brindley and Burt Spence.

FORMER LA CROSSE GIRL SERIOUSLY ILL

Mrs. J. M. Storkerson received a message this morning from Mrs. John McGovern, Chicago, bearing the news that her daughter, Anna, is in a serious condition, the doctors giving up all hope of her recovery. Miss McGovern was formerly a La Crosse girl.

ASK ACCOUNTING IN GESSLER ESTATE

Application for final accounting in the estate of Mrs. Bertha Gessler, valued at \$30,000, has been made before County John John Brindley.

Aside from her husband, who is living, the principal heir is her daughter, Mrs. I. Karel of Milwaukee.

JOBBER TO FIRE AT INCOME TAX

At the La Crosse club this evening will be held a meeting of the directors of the Manufacturers' and Jobbers' club to pass resolutions opposing a corporation tax law and taking up the plan of government of Wisconsin cities by commission.

prospects, advertising, the development of a prospect into a profitable sale and market days. His talk although brief contained valuable information for the dealers and delegates who listened to him.

The hall was cleared shortly after 4 o'clock and the members went in to executive session, discussing complaints and the general conditions of the trade as they find it.

RARE ELEGANCE SMALL COST

That's the keynote to this gift shop—from every point of view the most satisfactory jewelry shop in the city.

And we told you months ago we were planning all this for you—and if you're a bit particular you'll come to see our showing of Christmas things. Confidentially, it's the particular people that have made this store what it is.

Store open evenings now. An ideal time to see our stock under its soft lights and jeweled brilliance.

Parker
JEWELER
310 MAIN ST.
LA CROSSE, WIS.

DECISIVE BATTLE NOT REPORTED

Zelaya and Revolutionary
Armies Face Each Other;
Battle May Occur at
Any Hour

EL PASO, TEXAS, Dec. 16.—Charged with tearing down, trampling on and spitting on an American flag, in order to show his disgust with the attitude of the United States in the Nicaraguan situation, a Mexican, said to have been drunk, was arrested at Monterey and is now in jail.

There has been considerable feeling at Monterey and elsewhere throughout Mexico on account of the Nicaraguan situation. The flag was part of the decorations displayed because a delegation of Texans had gone to Monterey to invite Gov. DeLobel of Texas.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—With his forces effectively cornered at Rama, Zelaya is making a strenuous effort to outwit the revolutionists by placing his henchmen in power in other parts of Nicaragua.

Commander Shipley of the Des Moines reports from Bluefields that the revolutionary forces are now equipped with additional automatic guns and ammunition and the general opinion is that if there is an engagement at Rama, it will result in the surrender Zelaya's forces.

RED WING ASKS FOR A FRANCHISE

President J. A. Elliott today received a formal application for a franchise in the Minny league from the Red Wing baseball association. Mr. Elliott stated that this city would be the first to be considered when it came to adding the two more clubs to the league. The city is favorably located, being on the route to the cities at the head of the lakes, Duluth and Superior. It would in a way solve the problem of long jumps for the various teams, they being able to go from Duluth to Red Wing, from Red Wing to Winona and from the Gate city to La Crosse. The only question now is whether the city of Red Wing could show an attendance of 25,000 for the season. The city is one of the best in the ranks of amateur teams claiming the championship of Minnesota last season.

ALLEN'S FRENZIED FINANCEERING SEEN

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—The stupendous extent of the frenzied financeering of Philip Allen, Jr., former vice president of the First National Bank of Mineral Point, was filed in United States Bankruptcy court and many more with-held which may nearly double this amount. Two claims totalling \$259,444.19 were filed by bank alone. The Central Wisconsin Trust Co., Madison, was appointed trustee by Referee H. M. Lewis, under bond of \$75,000. George Gordon of La Crosse was present.

W. M. Edwards, representing the Tanberg Auto Co. of Eau Claire, reports that the results of their "Buck" and "Oakland" campaign during the Wisconsin Retail Implement and Vehicle Dealers' association convention has been very satisfactory. Good for the Tanberg Co. Their many friends in La Crosse wish them success.

COLLEGE WIDOW MAKES TROUBLE

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—A "college widow" caused John Brose Lloyd, youngest son of the late Henry D. Lloyd and grandson of the late Wm. Brose, millionaire and at one time lieutenant governor of Illinois, to break off family ties and leave Harvard at the end of his sophomore year in 1907.

The remarkable story was drawn from Wm. Brose Lloyd, millionaire socialist and brother of the missing man, on the witness stand in Municipal Judge Blake's court. The climax to the "rattling of the family skeleton" came when witness said he himself had introduced the woman to his brother, then about 20 years old. The disappearance of the young millionaire has heretofore been a mystery.

LIVE WOLF HUNT; BITES OFF FINGER

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—The wolf which hovers about the poor man's door had a narrow escape from violence early today. Samuel Rosenthal came home just before daylight to find a large gray timber wolf on his front porch. He tried to pet the animal, thinking at first it was a dog, but the wolf snapped off one of Rosenthal's fingers. Rosenthal objected and the wolf transferred his attentions to Rosenthal's leg, taking a nip out of his calf.

Rosenthal got a revolver and pursued the wolf and a regular organized wolf hunt followed.

The wolf is still at large. It escaped with two others from Lincoln park yesterday.

HARD ON THE BACHELOR

NEW CASTLE, Pa., Dec. 16.—Benjamin Waite, 50, bachelor, is in a hospital here today likely to have both feet amputated as a result of their being frozen in bed last night. During the night Waite's feet "kicked out" from under the bed clothing and when he awoke they were frozen.

REITZEL'S



Useful Necessities
Offered Here For Our
Holiday Trade

CHRISTMAS WAIST PATTERNS

Several Hundred Of The Most Attractive Styles In WASH FABRICS And WHITE GOODS, In Neat Holiday Boxes. Priced At \$1.98, \$1.49, \$1.25, 98c, 89c, 79c, and 49c The Pattern.

Plain and Fancy Silk WAIST PATTERNS, in neat holiday boxes, at \$1.98 to \$7.50. Silk Dress Patterns, in attractive Holiday Boxes at \$6.00 to \$18.00

DRESS PATTERNS, in a variety of fabrics, for street wear or an evening gown. Large range of colors. Beautiful Holiday Boxes. Priced at \$2.49 to \$25.00

Karl G. Kurtenacker

Toilet Goods For Holiday Buyers

We carry at this season, and all seasons, a very adequate line of such toilet articles as Cloth Brushes, Hair Brushes, Hat Brushes, Whisks, Mirrors, Nail Brushes, etc. This is a good season to buy them because our stock is at its best, and because unless wants of this nature are provided for at holiday time they are often neglected. If you need such goods you are sure to be pleased with our assortment and with the prices.



E. M. YOUNG, Druggist

Corner Third and Main Streets, La Crosse, Wis.



GOLD-PLATE BRICK CEREMONY TODAY

New Motor Speedway Inaugurated; Big Car Covers
Two Miles a Minute in
Straight Line

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 16.—Gov. Marshall will tomorrow lay a gold plated brick to mark the final step in the completion of the newly paved \$170,000 motor speedway here. The ceremony will be held at one o'clock tomorrow just before the first event in the speed trials.

Eleven cars have been entered. Lewis Strang, who will drive his 200 horsepower Fiat, arrived here yesterday and made some time in his machine on the course today. Christie, in his big machine, yesterday covered the straightaways at the rate of 2 miles a minute and made several circuits in exceedingly fast time.

NEGRO SUSPECTED OF MURDER OF WOMAN

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 16.—William Gibbons, 27, a negro, is in jail today suspected of the murder of Mrs. Lillie Osburn, who was assaulted and killed with blows from a mallet in the basement furnace room of her home Tuesday evening. Gibbons not only answers the general description of the negro employed to attend the furnace in the Osburn home, who was heard singing in the basement shortly before the crime was committed, but he is known to have been in the neighborhood of the home at the time of the murder.

Two other negroes say Gibbons was drinking with them in a stable and, when he left, he said he was going to the Osburn residence.

MORGAN DOES NOT WANT INVESTIGATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Before Thos. F. Ryan hands over the Equitable Life Assurance Society to J. P. Morgan, Commissioner Hotchkiss of the state insurance department says it must be re-examined. Everything done under the Ryan regime and a complete report of the society's present condition must be known and shown before the big concern with



"EVER READY" SAFETY RAZOR Price \$1.00

"Ever-Ready" blades are guaranteed—they are the keenest, finest and easiest shaving of all razor blades. The blades can be stropped like the ordinary razor and will last for years. Extra Ever-Ready blades 12 for 60 cents.

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116-118 South Third Street.

LIFE TOO HARD; HANGS HIMSELF

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Despondent over financial reverses and the fact that his wife was forced to submit to a serious operation, George A. Hogan, 26, this morning hanged himself with a clothline.



COLUMBIA and VICTOR
TALKING MACHINES
\$10 to \$250

WEIS BOOK STORE
509 Main Street

THE BOTTOM HAS DROPPED OUT

READ AND WONDER WHY

It is impossible for any human being to escape while these prices stare you in the face. We loaded up heavy for Christmas and we are bound to unload. The first 10 days of December have been poor ones with us. We want the CASH worse than the goods, and we have got the SAND to give you big cut prices now and not wait till after Christmas, as is usually the custom here.

Use your good judgment and save money on every article purchased here. If you don't you are the loser.

READ! READ! READ!

and notice the Combination offers. We also quote prices on a number of good things very suitable for Christmas gifts.

\$50.00 Bed Davenport, covered with Panne plush. Sale price .. .	\$42.50
\$10.00 Cotton Felt Mattress, full 45 lbs. Sale price .. .	\$8.50
\$20.00 Elwell Kitchen Cabinet. Saves the wife lots of footsteps. Sale price. . .	\$17.50
\$22.50 Side Board. This is a large swell piece of furniture. Come and see it. Sale price .. .	\$19.00
\$43.00 Number one leather covered, full steel construction, and a dandy Couch. Good enough for old John D.. . .	\$36.00
\$4.50 Parlor Table, either mahogany or golden oak finish, 24 in. top, and the best value in the city at \$4.50. Special price .. .	\$3.75
\$30.00 9x12 Axminster Rugs, in Bigelows, Sanfords and Hartfords makes, the best on the market. Sale price .. .	\$22.50
\$10.00 Dresser, sale price .. .	\$8.75
\$30.00 Buffets. We are showing two of these at this price in genuine quartered oak; great big values at \$30. Sale price. . .	\$25.00
\$2.50 Axminster Rugs; 27 in. wide by 60 in. long; a fine gift for Christmas. Sale price .. .	\$1.95
\$40.00 Base Burner, 16 in. fire pot; one of the famous Stewart makes, and warranted to give satisfaction. Sale price, spot cash .. .	\$35.00

COMBINATION OFFERS.

Quartered Oak Round Top 54 in. Pedestal Base Dining Table .. .	\$50.00
6 Quartered Oak full Leather Seat Dining Chairs, \$5.50 each, or per set .. .	\$33.00
	\$83.00
Special Sale Price .. .	\$69.00

1 Imperial Quartered Oak Round Top, 42 in., 6 ft. Extension Table .. .	\$10.50
6 Solid Oak Dining Chairs, with cobbler seat; \$1.00 each; per set .. .	\$6.00
	\$16.50
Combination Price .. .	\$14.00
1 Square Top 42 in. x 42 in. Dining Table, solid oak and polished, 5 in. legs .. .	\$15.00
6 Oak Dining Chairs, oak polished; \$2.00 each; per set .. .	\$12.00
	\$27.00
Combination Price .. .	\$22.00
2 inch Tube Steel Beds, large and massive .. .	\$20.00
45 lb. Cotton Felt Mattress .. .	\$10.00
All Metal Frame and Extra Heavy Spring Top .. .	\$5.00
	\$35.00
Combination Price .. .	\$30.00
White Enameled Beds, with brass rails, regular values elsewhere \$6.. Our regular price .. .	\$5.00
Cotton Top Mattress, extra quality .. .	\$3.50
Maple Frame Spring, with good woven wire top .. .	\$1.75
	\$10.25
Combination Price .. .	\$8.00
We have 1 roll of Ingrain all wool Carpet which we will sell at less than wholesale cost. Price 75c per yard. We will cut and match this pattern without waste, sew it, lay it and furnish the paper to go under it, for .. .	49c
Axminster Rug, 27x63, floral or oriental patterns, at .. .	\$2.50
Axminster Rug, 36x72 in. .. .	\$4.50
Wilton Velvet Rug, 27x54 in. .. .	\$2.50
	\$9.50
Combination Price .. .	\$7.00

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NELSON'S

Complete
Home Furnishers

FUNERAL TOMORROW
The funeral of Mrs. Paul Muetze, who died Monday at her home, 1127 North Fifth street, aged 60, will be

held at 2:30 tomorrow afternoon at the residence. She is survived by three sons, John, Will and Paul of this city, and by three daughters.

Mrs. A. A. Liesenfeldt, Katherine of this city and Mrs. Will Martin of Milwaukee. Her husband died several years ago.

The difference between a trial marriage and an affinity is: One has to work out its own salvation and the other, salvation won't save 'em.

LA CROSSE THEATRE, FRI., DEC. 17

"UP AND DOWN BROADWAY"

A musical melange including the song hits from the latest comic operas.

The proceeds from which will be used in downing tuberculosis in La Crosse county.

SEATS NOW ON SALE.

PRICES 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00

NEAT TRICK HOLDS HAUSER IN "JOB"

Exonerated to Placate His Opponents, and was then to Turn in His Resignation

CAUSE GONE; NO RESIGNATION

Poor Commissioner Has a Strangle-hold on His Place Supervisors Can't Break

John E. Hauser will stay in the office of Superintendent of Poor of La Crosse county, at least until another meeting of the county board is held. His office was not declared vacant yesterday, nor even was the request of the county board that he resign pressed, but, on the other hand, the supervisors passed a resolution exonerating the superintendent from all of the charges brought against him, commending him for his conduct, declaring that his altercation with Ex-overseer John Johnson of the county farm was justified by circumstances leading up to it, and finally advising Hauser to resign, on account of the late unpleasantness.

John E. Hauser, however, did not resign, and as a result there is now no way in which those opposed to his incumbency can get him removed. Toward the close of the meeting yesterday, when it became evident that the superintendent had no idea of presenting his resignation, half a dozen of the county board approached the district attorney and asked him what procedure should be taken to remove the official. District Attorney James Thompson could give them no satisfaction. He explained to the supervisors that the county board had at yesterday afternoon's session, declared Mr. Hauser guilty as far as the charges brought against him were concerned, and that a county official cannot be removed by the board without cause. Mr. Hauser is now a regular county official in good standing, the "cause" having been removed.

Opponents Must Wait

In case the supervisors who are opposed to Mr. Hauser remaining in office now wish to oust him, they will either have to wait until the March meeting of the board and at that time prefer new charges against him, or they can call a special meeting of the board before that time and bring new charges, but the superintendent must have thirty days notice before he can be put out of office, and if new charges are made he will doubtless ask that the charges be investigated in the same way as those from which he was exonerated yesterday.

The investigation of John Hauser's conduct in office, which ended in a complete vindication of that official cost the county about five hundred dollars. A committee composed of the county board committee on poor and insane was in session for about a week in September and took a great deal of evidence which was transcribed by an expert court reporter. The outcome of the investigation was that the La Crosse county board spent several days over the case at its November meeting, with the result that the board requested Mr. Hauser to resign by December 31.

Special Committee

Yesterday the matter was again brought before the board by Chairman R. W. Davis, who announced that Mr. Hauser, through his attorneys had filed affidavits with him against former overseer John C. Johnson. The result was that Supervisor Kindley moved that a special committee of five members be appointed to investigate further. The board adjourned during the investigation and did not reconvene until three o'clock, when the committee had finished its deliberations. The resolution exonerating Hauser came as a result of the deliberations, it being understood that Mr. Hauser was willing to resign provided he were cleared of the charges which had been preferred against him.

Tuberculosis Hospital

That the county establish a hospital for tubercular victims, either on the county farm or inside the corporate limits of the city of La Crosse, was a suggestion made by Supervisor John Kindley. Mr. Kindley described some of the conditions known to him, and Poor Superintendent John E. Hauser told of a number of cases in his knowledge where persons afflicted with the dread disease are living in the same rooms with large families of children and women who sooner or later will be affected unless some place is secured for secluding the patients.

Supervisor Oscar Hulberg stated to the board that it was his understanding that one-half of the money derived in the county from the sale of the Wisconsin Anti-tuberculosis stamps, was to be expended here, and his opinion that if the State Anti-tuberculosis Association and the ladies of the Twentieth Century club, who are in charge of the stamp campaign here were approached the association might act in conjunction with the county board in the matter.

On motion, the chair appointed Supervisors Hulberg, Holbek and Kindley to confer with these bodies, and make report to the board at the March meeting.

Wait for Improvements

Architect Wells E. Bennet who prepared the sketches for the new La Crosse County asylum addition, appeared before the board with his drawings and explained them. He had two sets, one provided for the accommodation of 100 additional patients and the other for 80 patients. On suggestion of Trustee F. C. Coburn who was present, action on the plans was deferred until the March

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meeting of the board, when the state Board of Control will have passed upon the sketches.

On motion of Supervisor William Bradley of West Salem the congratulations of the county board were extended to Supervisor Ray Lewis of the town of Hamilton, who is the proud father of a husky son. Mr. Lewis promptly produced a box of cigars in token of the son's supposed appreciation of the good will of the supervisors.

The county purchased a typewriter for the registrar's office at a cost of \$105. Lewis Knudson was awarded the contract for erecting a partition in the county clerk's office.

In order to separate the inmates, improve the sanitary conditions, and make improvements and repairs at the county farm, the committee on poor and insane was authorized to make an inspection and secure plans and estimates for the work required there. The date for the next meeting was fixed as March 30, 1910.

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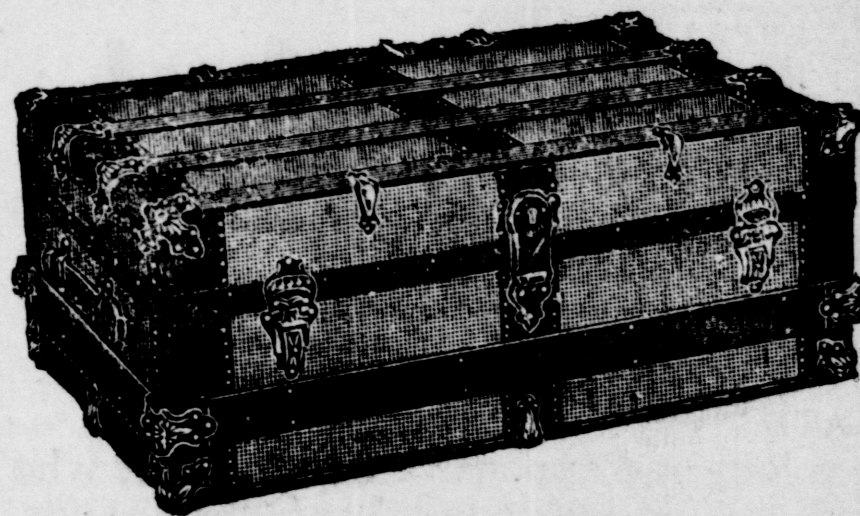
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OLD TESTAMENT MYSTERY STILL

Original Barnstable Document Still in Trunk of Sister; Whence Came Other?

The mystery of the Barnstable testament and means by which it came into the possession of an aged miser arrested at La Crosse some weeks ago with \$700 on his person is deeper than ever.

The original Barnstable testament, which was left years ago in a trunk at the Thomas Champeny farm at Gurnee, Mrs. Champeny being a sister to Charles and Ernest Barnstable, is still in the trunk at the farm house.

In other words how the miser at La Crosse got hold of a testament bearing the names of the two Waukeganites is still impenetrable.

None of the Barnstables went to La Crosse to visit the prisoner and it is probable that he has been released at this time because there was no serious charge against him. Possession of the testament, a remarkable similarity to the Barnstables, as far as descriptions go, and the possession of the \$700 in cash were incidents in the mystery. The man claimed to be a cattle buyer from Sparta, but is known to have sold pencils on the streets.

PENSIONS FOR ALL BROOKLYN CARMEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—The Brooklyn Rapid Transit company which controls the traction situation in Brooklyn announces the creation of a pension system to be participated in by its 13,999 employees. The plan provides for a board of pension made up of the vice president, general manager, secretary and treasurer and the president of the employees benefit association of the road which will make rules, pass upon claims and fix the amounts.

The schedule provides that all employees shall retire at 70 and receive up to 50 per cent of their former salary.

A smaller schedule applies to employees below that age and all employees in the service 25 years are entitled to participate.

Mrs. S. Joyce, Claremont, N. H., writes: "About a year ago I bought two bottles of Foley's Kidney Remedy. It cured me of a severe case of kidney trouble of several years standing. It certainly is a grand, good medicine, and I heartily recommend it." O. T. Erhart.

A pink tea: Putting everybody on the grill that don't belong to our set.

FIGHT FOR "WHITE SLAVE" GLORY

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The immigration committee and the committee on interstate and foreign commerce have locked horns over the white slave traffic bill. Each committee demands the glory of passing it.

At the meeting of the immigration committee Representatives Hayes (Rep., Cal.); Gardner (Rep., Mass.), and Burnett (D., Ala.) were appointed a sub-committee to wait upon the interstate and foreign commerce committee and request it to relinquish its claims to the white slave traffic matter.

The sub-committee will report today and if the interstate and foreign commerce committees refuse to listen to the proposition, the bill of Bennett (R., N. Y.) will be reported to the house immediately and efforts will be made to beat the Mann bill home.

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People who have received parcels containing Christmas gifts by express on Christmas mornings and the day after Christmas, in former years, and have expectantly opened them, only to discover to their dismay that the remembrances from their friends have been broken in transit, or crushed out of all semblance of shape, by the congestion of merchandise, handled by the express companies during the last few days before the holidays, will doubtless appreciate the arrangement which the agent of the Wells-Fargo Express company has made to handle this business before Christmas and thus give it better care.

Parcels by the wagon load are daily leaving the office of this company located on Second and State streets, near the Milwaukee passenger station, all neatly tagged with Christmas stickers, admonishing recipients not to open them before Christmas.

The stickers are furnished by the company in any number and bear the name of the express company, and the legend, "Do Not Open Until Christmas." These labels are attractively gotten up and those who appreciate the advantage of shipping their Christmas presents early and a great deal more numerous than in previous years. Packages shipped the last few days before Christmas are sometimes delayed in transit on account of the congestion and do not

reach their destination before they are several days overdue.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY, & CO., Toledo, O.

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TAFT FRAMES UP OHIO POLITICS

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 16.—A special to the Press from Washington says:

"Since the recent visit here of Charles P. Taft, ex-Governor Herrick, Arthur Vorys and Gov. Harmon there has been much speculation among statesmen about the Ohio political situation.

"The question of a successor of Senator Charles Dick, in case he does not convince the people of the state that they want him to return to the senate, is being considered mostly. Then, too, there is the coming gubernatorial contest and several interesting congressional contests in important districts to hold attention.

"Regarding the senatorship the impression is gaining ground that Charles P. Taft will not enter the list as it might involve a fight among Ohio republicans that would prove embarrassing to the president. Herrick's desire to fill Dick's shoes is recognized and several receptive candidates have been mentioned.

"Harmon is sure to be a candidate for renomination as governor. It is conceded that should Harmon be re-elected he will be the most likely democratic candidate for president two years later. This belief is not only held by his Ohio friends but is acknowledged by those most familiar with national politics, including some who have always been Wm. J. Bryan's staunchest supporters."

A Policeman's Testimony

J. N. Paterson, night policeman of Nashua, Iowa, writes: "Last winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and tried at least half a dozen advertised cough medicines and had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended Foley's Honey and Tar and two-thirds of a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world." O. T. Erhart.

SUTTON MURDER WILL BE PROBED

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—A congressional investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death at Annapolis of Lieut. James N. Sutton, Jr., of the marine corps, which was the subject of a military inquiry last summer and has never been fully cleared up, will be called for in a resolution which Senator Chamberlain (Dem., Oregon) stated he had prepared for introduction in the senate.

Even an old hen may appreciate a toothsome dainty.

"PREDATORY" WILD BEASTS MUST GO

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Bitter warfare is to be waged against predatory wild animals in the Pacific northwest by the National Forest Service, which has just made an appropriation of \$1,350 for hiring professional hunters for this section of the country. This amount has been allotted to the Walla Walla, Whatman, Malheur, Fremont, Umatilla and Deschutes national forests in Oregon and the Wensha and Wenatchee national forests in Washington.

The object of securing hunters is

not only to protect stock grazing on the forest reserves under permit but to safeguard game animals, such as deer, elk and mountain sheep, as well as game birds, cougar, lynx and other predatory animals thrive in the national forests and are today a great menace to the growth of game herds. Cougar and lynx are regarded as a greater menace to game than are hunters and elk calves and the young of other animals are the prey of the savage wildcats.

Eight professional hunters have been employed on the national forests of the state at intervals during the past year and they have killed a total of 504 coyotes, 21 bears, 8 wolves, 21 wildcats and 3 lynx. Not

only has the destruction of these animals by the government hunters been a great saving to the stockmen but to farmers living near the national forests, whose poultry and domestic stock suffer from the raids of wild animals.

GOV. HASKELL ILL

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 16.—Gov. C. N. Haskell is in bed at the order of his physician. He was seized with a severe attack of indigestion but remained at his office eight hours afterwards. A second attack made it necessary for him to go to his home. Physicians say there is no possibility of serious complications.



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Special Sale of Sweaters

For Women, Children and Men

Hard to find a gift that will please better—and harder still to equal these prices. We have the largest and finest assortments of Sweaters at all prices that are to be found in La Crosse, and it will be much to your advantage to buy in this special sale.

Ladies' heavy Gray Sweaters, trimmed with ocean pearl buttons, only **98c**

Ladies' all-wool Sweaters, heavy quality, ocean pearl button trimmed, grays **\$1.48**

Children's all-wool Sweaters, fancy weave, belted, brass button trimmed, military collar, blue, gray and red **\$1.49**

Misses' all-wool Sweaters, fancy stitch, trimmed with ocean pearl buttons, all colors **\$1.98**

Other Sweaters for ladies' and misses', as high as **\$5.00**

Suit-room, 2nd floor.

Children's All Wool Sweaters, 37c

La Crosse made Sweaters, in sizes to fit children of 2 to 5 years. Button at the neck style. We have them in plain red, blue and gray, also fancy striped patterns. Marvelous values for only **37c**

Men's Coat Sweaters, 37c

Men's coat Sweaters in gray, trimmed with red or blue facing, large smoked pearl buttons. Our regular 50c sellers, in this sale **37c**

Men's Coat Sweaters, 98c

A large assortment in plain gray, brown, white, green and blue, also plain gray trimmed with red or blue facing. Some with two pockets. Others plain. Splendid values at **98c**

Men's Clothing, 2nd floor.



Holiday Petticoat Special

The Following Letter Explains Itself:

Wm. Doerflinger Co.
La Crosse, Wis.

Ionia, Mich., Dec. 9th.

Gentlemen:—A little sister of ours picked up at a fashionable dressmaker's a new style Petticoat made of imported silk. She is of an economical turn of mind, at times, so she wanted us to see if the skirt would make up and look as elegant and refined in Heatherbloom. There is a certain air of sweldom about it, and it looks as good in Heatherbloom as it does in silk. So we have made it up into a Christmas Special to sell at \$2.50 each, put up in a pretty Christmas box—a coupon attached to each skirt entitles the owner to a skirt hanger free.

Yours truly, SOROSIS GARMENT CO.

Note—We wired for these and you will find them now on sale in our Petticoat department, 2nd floor. Also many other handsome styles in Heatherbloom, cotton, taffeta, sateen and silk in a range of prices from 59c to \$10.00

Wonderful Sale of Xmas Ribbons

Ribbons for gifts, ribbons for fancy bags and other ribbon novelties at unheard-of-prices just before Christmas, and only possible because of a splendid purchase made a few weeks ago.

Three to three and one-half inch pure silk Taffeta Ribbons in a big variety of colors and shades. Good weights—15c and 19c qualities, in this sale at the yard only—

9 cents

One lot consists of beautiful fancy Ribbons, 3-1-2 to 5-3-4 inches wide. Pure silk in a big variety of pleasing fancy designs and colors. These ribbons are worth from 29c to 50c a yard. On sale at half price, per yard **25c**

Another lot of fancy Ribbons, in a great variety of patterns, such as stripes, flowered and brocaded designs. These are actual 75c and 98c ribbons. In this sale at the low price per yard only **49c**

A third lot of the highest grade Fancy Ribbons—beautiful patterns and combinations, actual \$1.50 and \$2.00 Ribbon—in this sale at the yard only **98c**



Ribbon Section—Main Floor

Doerflinger's

MINNESOTA AND THE NORTHWEST

EBERHART TAKES HAND IN STRIKE

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 16.—Gov. A. O. Eberhart sent emissaries today to scour the Minneapolis and St. Paul railroad yards and report to him as to conditions. The men started last yesterday afternoon. The governor had already called upon General Manager J. M. Gruber of the Great Northern and Vice President George T. Slade of the Northern Pacific. He informed them of the sentiment on the part of the switchmen, as brought to his attention by Frank T. Hawley, favoring arbitration. Both railroad officials said there was nothing to arbitrate.

As the switchmen are understood to stand upon the proposition made for them by President Hawley that they are open for a compromise, the governor determined to ascertain for himself whether conditions of interference with freight traffic are serious enough to warrant him in taking means to force arbitration.

SAM FULLERTON FIRED FROM JOB

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 16.—Samuel F. Fullerton, superintendent of the state fish hatcheries, was relieved of office today by the state game and fish commission. J. J. Green of Duluth, an old employee of the commission, is in temporary charge of the hatcheries.

TOWLE SYRUP PLANT RAZED BY FIRE

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 16.—The plant of the Towle Syrup Company was destroyed by fire last night causing a loss estimated at \$100,000, covered by insurance by insurance.

The plant was a three story brick building. The principal product was syrup, but candies and other sweets were also manufactured. One hundred people are out of employment as a result of the fire.

E. A. Towle, one of the owners, stated that an effort would be made to supply customers and that as soon as possible the plant would be rebuilt.

KARLSTAD BANDIT SUSPECT IS HELD

HALLOCK, Min., Dec. 16.—Deputy Sheriff J. K. Ross brought from East Grand Forks, Minn., last night Edward Le Claire, who, as a result of his talking too freely, is charged with being one of the three bank robbers who blew the Bank of Karlstad, (Minn.) and escaped with \$1,700. Two men charged with the crime are now awaiting the action of the grand jury. Le Claire was arrested in an East Grand Forks restaurant.

Foley's Orino Laxative is best for women and children. Its mild action and pleasant taste make it preferable to violent purgatives, such as pills, tablets, etc. Cures constipation. O. T. Erhart.

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535 MAIN ST., OPP. CATHEDRAL.

WISCONSIN NEWS

SEVERAL INJURED IN DYNAMITING RUINS

RACINE, Wis., Dec. 16.—Dynamite was used to level dangerous walls at the destroyed plant of the Racine Manufacturing company. Bricks were thrown a long distance, one striking Peter Jensen, a lineman, of the Milwaukee Electric Railway and Light company, breaking his leg; another struck and injured Wm. Hertenett, a fireman; the front of Captain Wm. M. Lewis' automobile was hit and broken and the chauffeur and two little girls narrowly escaped injury.

FRANK WOLLER NOW FREE MAN

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 16.—Frank E. Woller, formerly clerk of the Municipal court, convicted in June, 1907, of embezzling about \$28,000 of the funds of his office, was pardoned on Wednesday by Gov. Jas. O. Davidson, and was released Wednesday night from the house of correction, where he had served two and a half years. Within a few days Woller will become a traveling salesman for a manufacturing concern in Milwaukee, and according to his brother, John W. Woller, who succeeded him as clerk of Municipal court, he will try to repay the money taken from the city.

ILLINOIS FARMERS ARE BEING HONORED

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Dec. 16.—The first installation in the Illinois Farmers' Hall of Fame took place when the portrait of Cyrus Hall McCormick, inventor of the reaper, was formally unveiled with befitting ceremonies. The unveiling was the culmination of a movement started last winter to commemorate the services of great leaders in the development of agriculture in Illinois.

Addresses were delivered by Gov. Deneen and a number of educators and a number of publishers. The commission appointed by the state board of agriculture has chosen three other men besides McCormick to be honored in the same way. They are: James N. Brown, first president of the state board of agriculture; Isaac Funk, a pioneer farmer of Illinois; and Prof. Jonathan B. Turner, originator of the idea of a national system of land grant colleges.

LEWIS LOSES DISTRICT

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 16.—Returns of miners' election from one-fourth of the local unions in the east Ohio subdistrict, the home of President T. L. Lewis, of the United Mine Workers, show that Green has probably carried Lewis' own county, subdistrict and the state by at least 3 to 2. President Lewis had more than two to one in the two locals of his own town and carries his own local by 190 to 92. The adjoining local gave Green more than 4 to 1. Lewis returning from Pittsburgh said his vote was larger than he had counted on as his enemies here had made a personal fight to carry his own district and he had not turned a hand to secure votes except in his own town.



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Pearl and Stag Pocket Knives, from . . . **25c to \$3.00**
Fancy and Plain Embroidery Scissors . . . **25c to \$1.00**
Razors and Shaving Supplies.
Manicure Sets, from **\$1.50 to \$9.00**
Carving Sets, from **\$1.50 to \$7.00**
Skates, from **65c to \$4.00**
Kennedy Ankle Support Skates **\$3.50**
Gillette Safety Razors, **\$5.00 and \$7.50**
Ever Ready and Gem Junior Safety Razors . . . **\$1.00**
Tool Chests; Food Choppers; Bread Makers;
Nickel Plated Tea and Coffee Pots
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